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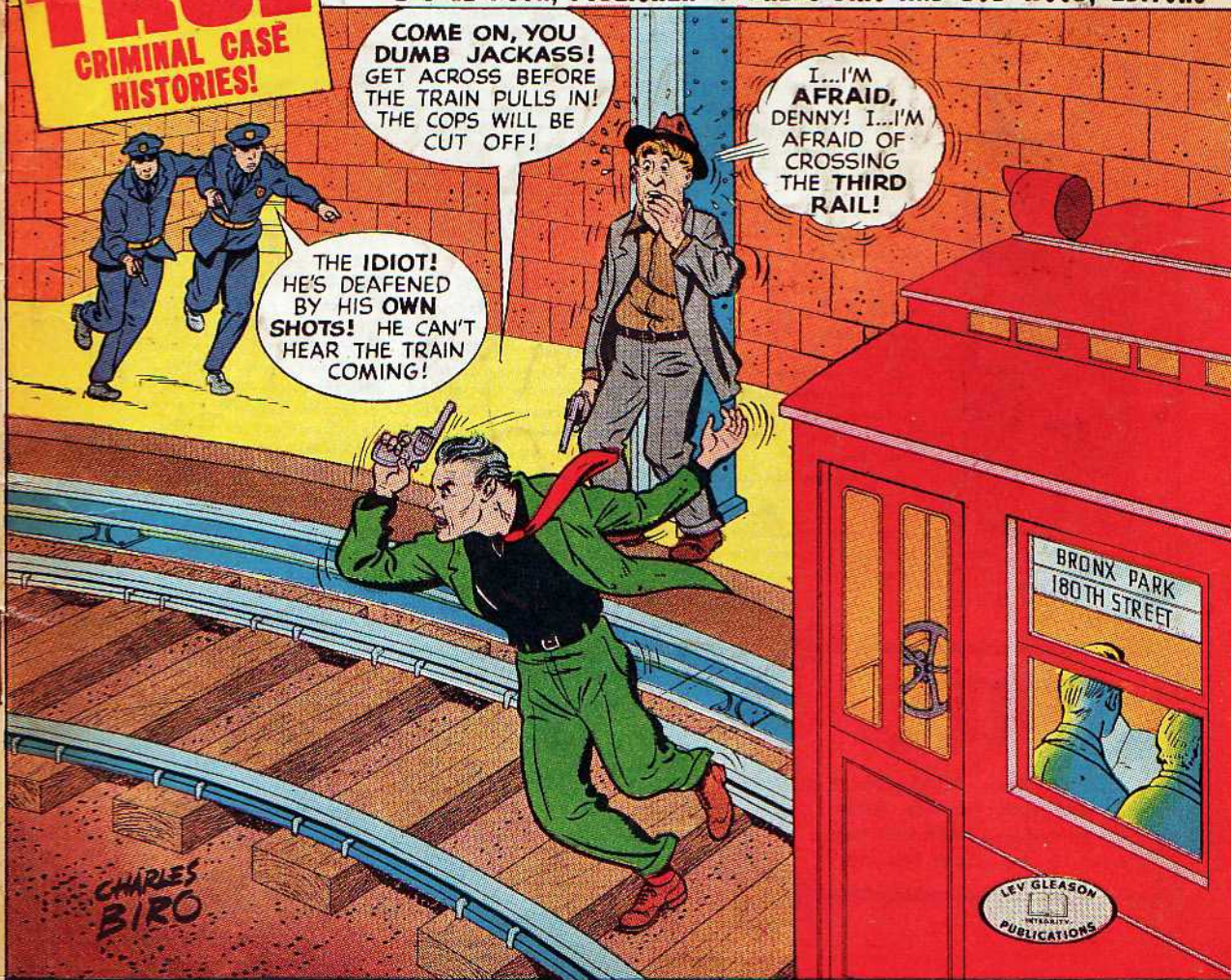
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# PUNISHMENT

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CRIMINAL CASE  
HISTORIES!



COME ON, YOU DUMB JACKASS! GET ACROSS BEFORE THE TRAIN PULLS IN! THE COPS WILL BE CUT OFF!

I...I'M AFRAID, DENNY! I...I'M AFRAID OF CROSSING THE THIRD RAIL!

THE IDIOT! HE'S DEAFENED BY HIS OWN SHOTS! HE CAN'T HEAR THE TRAIN COMING!

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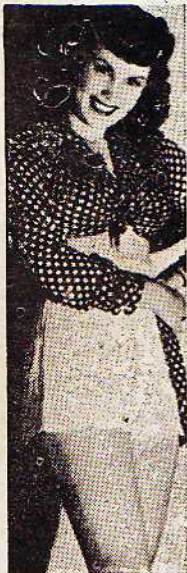
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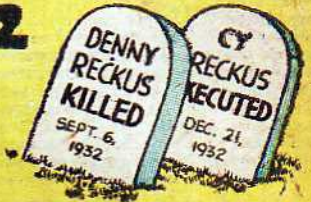
DEDICATED TO THE ERADICATION OF CRIME

# the RECKUS BROTHERS



PUBLIC ENEMIES #1 and 1/2

THEY LEARNED THEIR THREE R'S OF CRIME FROM PROHIBITION-RUTHLESS-RECKLESS-REGRET!!!



THE IDIOTS! THEY WON'T MAKE IT! CAN'T THEY HEAR THE EXPRESS COMING!

RUN, YOU DUMB JACKASS! WE CAN GET ACROSS THE TRACKS BEFORE THE TRAIN PULLS IN! THE COPS WILL BE CUT OFF WHILE WE GRAB A DOWNTOWN TRAIN!

I... I'M AFRAID, DENNY! I'M AFRAID OF CROSSING THE THIRD RAIL!

IN CONSIDERATION OF INNOCENT PEOPLE INVOLVED AND RELATIVES OF OTHERS, THE NAMES OF CHARACTERS DEPICTED IN THIS TRUE CRIME MAGAZINE ARE FICTITIOUS. ANY SIMILARITY TO NAMES OF PEOPLE LIVING OR DEAD IS ENTIRELY COINCIDENTAL. THIS IN NO WAY AFFECTS THE ACCURACY OF THESE STORIES WHICH ARE BASED ON FACT.  
the editors



NO! DENNY RECKUS COULD HEAR NOTHING BUT THE CALL OF EVIL! DENNY AND HIS BROTHER, CY, RAN WILD IN THE DAYS WHEN FOLKS WHO LIVED IN THE BIG CITY HAD A HARD TIME GETTING A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP BECAUSE OF THE CONTINUOUS CHATTER OF GUN SHOTS! THE RECKUS GANG PEDDLED BEER-IT WAS TERRIBLE BEER! AND THE RUTHLESS RECKUS BROTHERS WERE JUST AS TERRIBLE! BUT IT WASN'T UNTIL THE POST-PROHIBITION DAYS THAT DENNY RECKUS, THE CLOTHES-MAD GANGSTER, SHOWED HIMSELF IN HIS TRUE COLORS-BLACK, THE COLOR OF HIS HEART, AND RED, THE BLOODY COLOR OF HIS HANDS!

# OBEY THE LAW

PUNISHMENT DIDN'T CHANGE DENNY— IN THE FALL OF 1931, AS HIS SIX-YEAR PRISON TERM DREW TO A CLOSE, HE WAS AS UNREPENTANT AS THE DAY HE WAS COMMITTED!

MY BROTHER CY WRITES THAT ALL THE TERRITORIES ARE DIVIDED UP AMONG THE BIG SHOTS! HE SAYS WE WON'T EVEN GET A SMELL OF THE BOOTLEG DOUGH! CY ALWAYS WORRIED TOO MUCH! THERE'S ALWAYS ROOM FOR A GUY WITH IDEAS!

WELL, DENNY, HOW DOES IT FEEL GETTING RID OF THAT TENT AND PUTTING ON SOME DECENT CLOTHES?

THESE OLD DUDS OF MINE WILL LAST ME TILL I GET PAST THE GATES! THEN THEY LAND IN THE NEAREST ASH CAN! THE STYLES CHANGE IN SIX YEARS!

NOT HERE THEY DON'T, RECKUS! REMEMBER THAT WHEN YOU THINK OF GOING SHOPPING WITH A GUN!

THEY SAY YOU USED TO BE A DAPPER DRESSER, RECKUS! YOU'LL HAVE TO BE, NOW THAT YOU'VE GOT THAT BIG BALD SPOT!

LOOK ME UP IN SIX MONTHS AN' SEE WHO CAN AFFORD TO HAND OUT ADVICE, COPPER! YOU IN YOUR MONKEY-SUIT, OR ME ALL DRAPED OUT IN SILK!

MAKE SURE YOUR BULLET-PROOF VEST IS MADE OF STRONGER STUFF, RECKUS! SILK NEVER STOPPED A BULLET YET!

NO, THE POLICE HADN'T MUCH FAITH IN DENNY RECKUS! REFORMATION, NOR HAD CY RECKUS, HIS BROTHER!

GIVE ME TWO HUNDRED BUCKS, CY! I CAN'T BE SEEN AROUND TOWN IN THESE RAGS!

TWO HUNDRED BUCKS? I HAVEN'T GOT THE PRICE OF A PARK BENCH! NICE BROTHER YOU ARE! I MEET YOU AT THE PRISON GATE, SPEND MY LAST DIME BUYIN' YOU A DRINK! THERE ISN'T A GRATEFUL BONE IN YOUR BODY!

WHAT SHOULD I BE GRATEFUL FOR? SIX YEARS IN STIR? SIX YEARS OF TALKIN' TO THE WALLS! WHILE THE SMART GUYS MADE HAY I WAS STUCK! BUT YOU—WHY COULDN'T YOU CASH IN ON A RACKET?

DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH! I'M NOBODY! JUST ANOTHER PUNK! THE BIG BOYS GOT EVERYTHING SEWED UP! I'D BE COMMITTING SUICIDE TO BUCK 'EM!

THAT'S RIGHT! I ALMOST FORGOT WHAT A YELLOW CRUMB YOU ARE! I WOULDN'T HAVE GONE TO JAIL IF YOU HADN'T TURNED CHICKEN THAT NIGHT WALTERS CLOSED IN ON ME! YOU COULDN'T HAVE KILLED HIM! I WOULDN'T HAVE ROTTED AWAY FOR SIX YEARS IF YOU HADN'T TOSSED YOUR GUN AWAY!

I COULDN'T TRADE SHOTS WITH WALTERS! IT WAS EITHER SURRENDER, OR GET A SLUG THROUGH THE HEART! BESIDES, I KEPT MY MOUTH SHUT ABOUT WALTERS' UNCLE, DIDN'T I?

I COULD'VE SAVED MYSELF A FOUR-YEAR RAP IF I'D WANTED TO SQUEAL ON YOU! YOU'D HAVE GONE TO THE CH...OWW!!

OPEN YOUR YAP ABOUT THAT RUB-OUT AGAIN, CY, AN' SO HELP ME, BROTHER OR NO BROTHER, THEY'LL FIND YOU FLOATIN' IN THE BAY!

# OBEY THE LAW

WELL, TWO MONTHS LATER, THEY DIDN'T FIND CY FLOATING IN THE BAY, BUT THEY FOUND OTHERS! AND THOSE THAT DIDN'T FLOAT WEREN'T FIT FOR FISH FOOD!

THIS IS MR. PRETORIA, MY WIFE SAYS TO ME, LIEUTENANT! HE SPENT A WEEK IN THE HOSPITAL BEFORE HE DECIDED HE WANTED TO TELL US SOMETHING!

MY WIFE SAYS TO ME, "ADOLPHE, THEY WILL COME BACK AND KILL YOU! PLEASE TELL THE POLICE! THEY WILL PROTECT YOU!"

YOUR WIFE GAVE YOU GOOD ADVICE! SIT DOWN AND TELL US WHAT HAPPENED!

I HAVE A LITTLE DINER DOWN ON RIVER ROAD! I GOT A FEW STEADY CUSTOMERS, MOSTLY TRUCK DRIVERS! I AM HAPPY THIS WAY! I'M NEVER HUNGRY FOR MONEY! COULD I HAVE A CIGARETTE, PLEASE? MY HANDS—THEY ARE BROKEN! IF I COULD TROUBLE YOU, LIEUTENANT!

NO TROUBLE AT ALL! GO ON WITH YOUR STORY!

THANKS! WELL, ONE NIGHT, ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO, TWO MEN CAME INTO MY DINER!

YOUR BUSINESS LOOKS DEAD, POP! ONLY THREE CUSTOMERS IN AN HOUR, INCLUDIN' US! BUT WE'LL SHOW YOU HOW TO TURN THIS BEANERY INTO GRAND CENTRAL STATION!

I...I'M NOT INTERESTED!

BUT WE ARE! SO YOU BETTER LISTEN, POP!

YOU'RE SELLING THE WRONG STUFF, POP! YOU CAN'T GET RICH ON APPLE PIE, BUT SUPPOSE IT GOT AROUND THAT PRETORIA'S DINER WAS GETTIN' IT "RIGHT OFF THE BOAT"? WHY, YOU'LL BE TURNIN' 'EM AWAY, TONY!

JOE! START UNLOADING!

B. BUT, MISTER, I'M AN HONEST MAN! I..DON'T WANT TO BREAK THE LAW!

THINK IT'S BETTER THAN GETTING YOUR JAW BROKEN?

D..DON'T YOU HIT HIM! I'LL CALL THE POLICE!

STAY PUT, GRAN'MA! YOU'RE GONNA KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT AN' DO WHAT YOU'RE TOLD, BECAUSE IF YOU DON'T, YOU'LL BOTH BE PUSHIN' UP THE DAISIES!

IT LOOKS LIKE YOU CAME VERY NEAR TO PUSHING UP DAISIES, MR. PRETORIA!

I KNOW, AND I'M AFRAID THAT NEXT TIME THEY'LL FINISH THE JOB! YOU SEE, I DID NOT SELL THEIR LIQUOR! I WOULD NOT PAY THEM WHEN THEY CAME TO COLLECT! SO THEY TOOK ME FOR A RIDE! YOU WILL PROTECT ME, WON'T YOU, LIEUTENANT?

OF COURSE, MR. PRETORIA! DAN, SHOW MR. PRETORIA SOME ROGUES' GALLERY PICTURES! MAYBE HE CAN PICK OUT THE MUGS WHO DID THIS TO HIM!

YOUR STORY REMINDS ME OF MY UNCLE'S MURDER! BUT HE WASN'T GIVEN A SECOND CHANCE! THEY USED GUNS ON HIM INSTEAD OF BLACKJACKS! DON'T WORRY, MR. PRETORIA, WE'LL SEE THAT YOU'RE PROTECTED!

HOURS LATER, AFTER SEEING THOUSANDS OF PHOTOGRAPHS, PRETORIA SPOTTED A FAMILIAR FACE!

THAT'S HIM! THAT'S THE ONE! HE WAS THE LEADER! HE GAVE THE ORDERS! I'D LIKE TO GET HIM ALONE FOR JUST ONE MINUTE!

I WONDER IF LIEUTENANT WALTERS KNOWS HIM!

# OBEY THE LAW

CY RECKUS, EH? HE HASN'T GOT THE GUTS OF A TOAD! CY'S BROTHER DENNY ALWAYS DID ALL THE THINKING FOR HIM AND GAVE ALL THE ORDERS! MAYBE DENNY RECKUS IS BACK IN CIRCULATION! DAN, SEE THAT MR. PRETORIA IS ADMITTED TO THE CITY JAIL HOSPITAL! HE WOULDN'T BE SAFE WITH DENNY ON THE LOOSE!

DENNY RECKUS? THE NAME DOESN'T RING A BELL WITH ME!

IT RINGS A STEEPLE FULL FOR ME! DENNY RECKUS AND I HAVE OPEN SEASON EVERY TIME HE'S OUT! I SENT HIM TO PRISON SIX YEARS AGO! NOW IT SEEMS WE'RE STARTING ALL OVER AGAIN FROM THE START!

AFTER FINDING OUT THAT DENNY RECKUS HAD BEEN RELEASED FROM PRISON A SCANT MONTH AND A HALF BEFORE, LIEUTENANT WALTERS WENT TO THE PAROLE OFFICER!

RECKUS REPORTS REGULARLY! FROM ALL APPEARANCES HE'S GOING STRAIGHT AND DOING WELL! OWNS A SOFT DRINK WORKS!

I CAN'T BELIEVE DENNY LOST HIS TASTE FOR BATHTUB GIN! I'LL HAVE TO SEE FOR MYSELF!

PAROLE BOARD  
 PRIVATE

NOBODY GAVE ME A SECOND GLANCE! MAYBE RECKUS IS GOING STRAIGHT!

MR. RECKUS, THERE'S A LIEUTENANT WALTERS FROM HOMICIDE TO SEE YOU! SAYS YOU KNOW HIM!

LIEUTENANT WALTERS? WE'RE OLD FRIENDS! TELL THE LIEUTENANT TO COME RIGHT IN!

GREETINGS, WALTERS! LONG TIME NO SEE! LAST TIME WE MET, YOU WERE A SERGEANT! YOU MUST BE GETTING ALONG, EH?

NOT HALF SO FAST AS YOU'RE PROGRESSING, RECKUS! OUT OF STIR LESS THAN TWO MONTHS AND ORDERING CUSTOM-MADE SUITS! PEOPLE MUST BE BUYING A LOT OF YOUR GODA!

THAT'S RIGHT! THEY ARE! PEOPLE ARE GETTING TIRED OF DRINKING BATHTUB LIQUOR! SHALL I SHOW YOU AROUND THE PLACE?

I'VE GOT A SEARCH WARRANT, SO I'LL SHOW MYSELF AROUND! WHERE'S CY? I'VE GOT A WARRANT FOR HIS ARREST!

CY'S ARREST? B-BUT, CY'S GONE STRAIGHT... JUST LIKE ME! HE'S MY SALESMAN! HE'S KEPT HIS NOSE CLEAN SINCE HE GOT OUT OF STIR TWO YEARS AGO...

HE'S GOT HIS NOSE DIRRED NOW! HE PUSHED AROUND A MR. PRETORIA, ALMOST KILLED HIM! ALSO, CY'S BEEN SELLING BEER AND LIQUOR! IF CY'S YOUR SALESMAN, MAYBE YOU DON'T KNOW YOUR OWN PRODUCT!

MY PRODUCT? ...IT'S SODA POP... SUGAR WATER... IN TEN DIFFERENT FLAVORS! SOMEBODY'S FRAMED CY! SID... LET THE LIEUTENANT TASTE OUR SODA!

THINK I'M A FOOL, RECKUS? YOU CAN BOTTLE ANYTHING YOU PLEASE HERE! THAT DOESN'T MEAN A TRUCK-LOAD OF ROT-GUT DOESN'T GET DELIVERED SOMEWHERE ELSE!

THESE DUDES DIDN'T COME FROM SUGAR WATER! YOU ALWAYS WORE YOUR SUCCESS ON YOUR BACK, RECKUS! WELL, YOU'LL BE WEARING HANDCUFFS AGAIN IF YOU DON'T WATCH YOUR STEP!

GET YOUR HANDS OFF ME! AND KEEP YOUR FILTHY ACCUSATIONS TO YOURSELF! I RUN A LEGITIMATE BUSINESS, AND TILL YOU CAN PROVE DIFFERENT, STAY OUT OF MY HAIR!

# OBEY THE LAW

YOU'RE STARTING TO SHOVE PEOPLE AROUND AS YOU DID IN THE OLD DAYS WHEN YOU WERE SANDY MALINO'S HATCHET-MAN... BUT THIS TIME YOU'LL BE STOPPED DEAD! I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN WHO KILLED MY UNCLE ALBERT AND WHY!

LISTEN, WALTERS, I DIDN'T PLUG YOUR UNCLE ALBERT, BUT IF YOU HAVE IT IN FOR ME, I CAN'T HELP IT! IF YOU WANT TO ARREST CY, GO AHEAD AND MAKE A FOOL OF YOURSELF! NOW, BEAT IT—YOU'RE WASTING MY TIME!

I THOUGHT THAT BULL WOULD NEVER GET OUT OF HERE!

M-MR. RECKUS! WHAT ARE YOU DOING! YOU'RE TEARING YOUR SUIT!

I DON'T WANT IT! IT SMELLS! I HATE LIGHT-COLORED SUITS! NOW, SCRAM BEFORE I CHOKE YOU WITH IT! TONY, GET CY ON THE TELEPHONE!

W-WALTERS IS AFTER ME? WHAT'LL I DO, DENNY? PRETORIA WILL IDENTIFY ME, THEN THE OTHERS WILL GET SOME GUTS AND TELL THE COPS WHAT THEY KNOW! THEY'LL SEND ME TO THE CHAIR FOR SURE!

SHUT UP, YOU HYSTERICAL FOOL! I'LL DO THE THINKING! WHEN WALTERS SHOWS UP, SURRENDER WITHOUT A YIP! BUT DENY EVERYTHING, I'M GONNA HAVE A LITTLE CHAT WITH MRS. PRETORIA!

THE RECKUS BOYS WERE OLD HANDS AT LITTLE CHATS, LIKE THE TIME CY SHOVED A FORTY-FIVE INTO A GAS STATION OWNER'S RIBS, AND THE "FRIED CHICKEN" OWNER WAS CHATTED INTO AGREEMENT...

SURE, OUR HOCH TASTES NO DIFFERENT FROM YOUR MOTOR OIL, BUT THEY'LL DRINK IT JUST THE SAME! YOUR CUSTOMERS CAN TANK UP TWO WAYS!

FRIED CHICKEN

B-BUT, I'M AFRAID OF THE COPS...

YOU'RE AFRAID OF THE WRONG GUYS, CHUM! BE AFRAID OF US!

AND THOSE WHO WOULDN'T CHAT? WELL, SOME THEY FOUND IN LOTS AND SOME WERE FOUND IN THE BAY...

I GUESS YOU MEAN BUSINESS, DENNY! YOU'RE CHANGING INTO A BLACK SHIRT! THAT'S ALWAYS A DANGER SIGNAL FOR SOMEBODY, AIN'T IT?

YOU BET IT IS — FOR MRS. PRETORIA! I'VE BEEN THROUGH THIS END OF THE RACKET A THOUSAND TIMES! ALL I DID FOR SANDY MALINO WAS SHOVE GUYS INTO LINE! THAT'S HOW I MET UP WITH WALTERS—I HAPPENED TO SHOVE A COUPLE OF GUYS TOO HARD!

IN TWO MONTHS I BUILT UP A GOLD MINE WITHOUT STEPPING ON THE BIG BOYS' TOES! WELL, I'M NOT GIVING UP NOW BECAUSE SOME STUBBORN HASH-SLINGER WANTS TO SHOOT OFF HIS MOUTH!

I TOLD CY WHEN HE WAS SLUGGING THAT OLD GEEZER TO PUT A SLUG INTO HIM! BUT CY SAID YOU DIDN'T WANT ANY MORE STIFFS TOSSED INTO THE BAY... IT WASN'T GOOD FOR THE BUSINESS!

IT ISN'T! HOW CAN A STIFF BUY OR SELL LIQUOR? BUT WE SPARED THE WRONG GUY... THERE'S THE DINER, TONY! STOP HERE!

THERE'S A BIG-SHOT BEER BARON FOR YOU, ALL PRIMED TO STRONG-ARM AN OLD WOMAN! THE PROHIBITION YEARS SAW MANY SUCH CASES OF ARMED PERSUASION!

EAT



# OBEY THE LAW



ARRESTS HAD BEEN MADE BUT EVIDENCE WAS LACKING! THE TRAIL HAD BEEN ERASED WITH "SODA POP"—BUT DENNY KNEW THE CHIPS WERE DOWN, NOW THAT LIEUTENANT WALTERS WAS ON THE CASE!

SHE'S IN THE KITCHEN, DENNY—ER, I MEAN, SERGEANT!

TAKE OFF, BUDDY! WE'RE FROM POLICE HEADQUARTERS! WE WANT TO TALK TO MRS. PRETORIA ALONE!

SURE THING, OFFICER!



YOU'VE GOT YOUR NERVE! NO ONE IS ALLOWED IN THE KITCHEN!

MRS. PRETORIA, I'M CY RECKUS' BROTHER—CY'S BEEN SELLING LIQUOR TO YOUR HUSBAND! CY'S ALSO THE ONE WHO BEAT UP YOUR HUSBAND, AND SENT HIM TO THE HOSPITAL!



IT SEEMS YOU ENCOURAGED YOUR HUSBAND TO SPILL THE BEANS TO THE COPS! WELL, THEY'VE ARRESTED CY, BUT THE COPS AREN'T GOING TO PIN A RAP ON HIM, BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO DENY EVER HAVING SEEN CY! YOU'RE GOING TO SAY THAT YOUR HUSBAND IS CRAZY—THAT HE IMAGINES THINGS!

I KNOW WHAT YOU WANT, BUT I WON'T DO IT! MY HUSBAND IS A BRAVE, GOOD MAN!



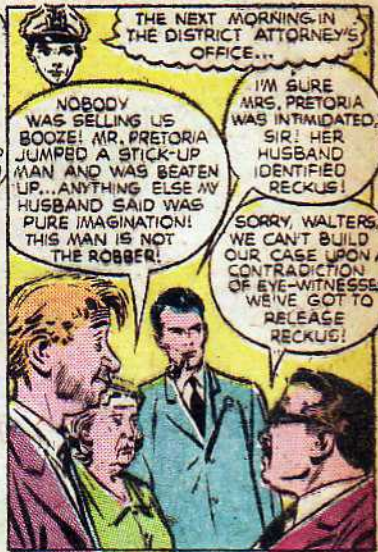
HE'LL BE GOOD AND DEAD, MRS. PRETORIA, AND YOU'LL BE GOOD AND DEAD, TOO! YOUR GREY HAIRS WON'T STOP MY GANG FROM MURDERING YOU, MA'AM. WE CAN'T LET SOUL-DEALERS RUIN OUR BUSINESS! EVEN IF YOU SEND ME TO THE CHAIR, MA'AM, MY GANG WILL COME BACK AND KILL YOU! RIGHT, TONY?

RIGHT!



WE'RE NOT BAD GUYS, ONCE YOU GET TO KNOW US, MRS. PRETORIA! HERE'S \$300 FOR YOUR HUSBAND'S HOSPITAL EXPENSES! WE WON'T BOTHER YOU AGAIN UNLESS YOU DOUBLE-CROSS US, IN WHICH CASE, TONY WILL BE BACK! IS EVERYTHING CLEAR?

VERY CLEAR! YOU WANT TO GET AWAY WITH MURDER, AND YOU'RE FORCING ME TO HELP YOU! HEAVEN PITY ME!



THE NEXT MORNING IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE...

NOBODY WAS SELLING US BOOZE! MR. PRETORIA JUMPED A STICK-UP MAN AND WAS BEATEN UP... ANYTHING ELSE MY HUSBAND SAID WAS PURE IMAGINATION! THIS MAN IS NOT THE ROBBER!

I'M SURE MRS. PRETORIA WAS INTIMIDATED. SIR! HER HUSBAND IDENTIFIED RECKUS!

SORRY, WALTERS. WE CAN'T BUILD OUR CASE UPON A CONTRADICTION OF EYE-WITNESSES! WE'VE GOT TO RELEASE RECKUS!



DON'T KID YOURSELF, RECKUS—WE'LL BE WATCHING YOU AND YOU'RE SURE TO STICK YOUR NECK OUT AGAIN! AFTER ALL, "RECKUS" ALMOST SPELLS "SUCKER" BACKWARDS!

ALMOST, LIEUTENANT, BUT NOT QUITE! A MISS IS AS GOOD AS A MILE, AND YOU'LL KEEP MISSING JUST AS LONG AS YOU KEEP SWINGING AT US!



BUT IN A FEW WEEKS, THE PICTURE WAS CHANGED! THE LIQUOR RACKETS WERE RIPPED OUT OF THE BLOODY HAND OF GANGSTERS!

WE MISSED THE BOAT! WE'RE BACK WHERE WE STARTED FROM! ALL THAT WORK FOR NOTHIN'!

OKAY, SO REPEAL IS HERE! WHY GET THE JITTERS? IF IT ISN'T ONE RACKET, IT'S ANOTHER!

**VOLSTEAD ACT REPEALS PROHIBITION ENDED!**

# OBEY THE LAW

B...BUT WE'VE GOT EVERY PENNY SUNK IN THE BOTTLE WORKS AND THE STILL! OUR WHOLE ORGANIZATION IS GEARED FOR BOOTLEGGING! THE GUYS THAT WORK FOR US CAN'T SWITCH OVER TO BANK ROBBING! THEY'RE TOO YELLER!

YOU TALK ABOUT THEM AND MEAN YOURSELF, EH, CY? I KNOW! THE DAYS OF THE SOFT TOUCH ARE GONE, BUT I'LL THINK OF SOMETHIN'; SO STOP BEATIN' YOUR BRAINS 'OUT!

DENNY WALKED AROUND GATHERING 'FOOD FOR THOUGHT' A PRODUCT OF THE PROHIBITION ERA, IT WASN'T EASY FOR DENNY TO ADJUST HIMSELF TO A WORLD WHERE HOOTCH WAS NO LONGER A RACKET!

IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS THE GLITTERS WILL RUN WITH BEER AND HALF THE BOOTLEGGERS IN THE COUNTRY WILL BE ON THE BREADLINE! I'VE GOT TO THINK OF SOMETHING THAT WILL KEEP THE GANG TOGETHER!

READ ALL ABOUT IT! FBI CAPTURES BARR KIDNAPPER! MOST OF RANSOM RECOVERED! READ ALL ABOUT IT!

SO THEY GOT HIM--THE FOOL! HE STALLED AROUND FOR A WEEK, WAITING FOR THE DOUGH! THE COPS COULD FIND A NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK BY THAT TIME!

WAIT A MINUTE! I KNOW GUYS WHO CAN LAY THEIR HANDS ON HALF A MILLION OVERNIGHT--BIG SHOT BOOTLEGGERS WHO NEVER BANKED THEIR PROFITS--SPEAKEASY OWNERS WHO STACKED IT AWAY IN WALL SAFES!

91 CAPTURES KIDNAPPERS

BUT THEY BURN YOU FOR KIDNAPPING! YOU, CY, YELLOW AS DAFODILS! THEY'D RATHER 'PAY AN' KEEP THEIR MOUTHS SHUT THAN HAVE A BIG FUNERAL! SNATCHIN' THE RIGHT GUY IS A CINCH!

I'M FOR IT! ONE BIG JOB AND WE'RE SET FOR A WHOLE YEAR!

NOT ME! I DON'T WANT MONEY BAD ENOUGH TO DIE GETTING IT! IF YOU SUCKERS LET DENNY TALK YOU INTO JUMPIN' INTO THE HOT-SEAT, OKAY...BUT COUNT ME OUT!

JUST A MINUTE, LILY-LIVER--I'LL COUNT YOU OUT!

FOR THE LONG COUNT! NOBODY WALKS OUT ON DENNY RECKUS! NOBODY--ESPECIALLY MY BROTHER!

D..DENNY! OOWWW!! OHMM... D..DENNY... N..NO!!

FOR PETE'S SAKE, DENNY, LEAVE HIM ALONE! HE'S YOUR BROTHER, AIN'T HE?

HE'S NO BROTHER OF MINE! HE'S GOT GUTS OF WATER! HE'D DOUBLE-CROSS ME FOR TWO CENTS!

I...I'LL GET EVEN WITH YOU, Y..YOU RAT! I'LL TELL WALTERS ABOUT HIS UNCLE! I'LL TELL HIM WHO SHOT THE OLD CRUMB IN THE BACK! I'LL SEE YOU BURN IN THE ELECTRIC CHAIR!

WHY YOU DIRTY LITTLE SQUEALER! YOU'VE HELD THAT OVER MY HEAD FOR THE LAST TIME!

ARE YOU CRAZY, DENNY? PUT THAT ROD AWAY!

# OBEY THE LAW

D. DENNY!! I...I'M SORRY!! I D...DIDN'T KNOW WHAT I WAS SAYIN'! I DIDN'T MEAN IT! I'D NEVER DOUBLE-CROSS YOU-BUT YOU KEPT BEATIN' AN' BEATIN' ME!

HE JUST LOST HIS HEAD, DENNY! LET UP, WILL YOU?

LET GO OF MY ARMS! I WON'T KILL HIM...THOUGH I SHOULD! 'SOME DAY THAT YELLOW SKUNK WILL STICK US ALL IN THE DEATH-HOUSE!

A WEEK LATER, DENNY PICKED OUT A LIKELY KIDNAPPING PROSPECT-REPULSIVE NICK BLANCO, EX-BOOTLEGGER, WHO CLOSELY RESEMBLED ONE OF HIS OWN BEER BARRELS!

GUESS WHAT BLANCO'S DOIN' FOR A LIVIN' NOW? SELLIN' THE SAME BEER HE USED TO COOK IN CELLARS, BUT TEN TIMES AS MUCH OF IT! THE GUYS GOT A MILLION BUCKS!

WELL, BLANCO'S PARTING WITH HALF OF IT TO US! FOLLOW HIM WHEREVER HE GOES FOR A WEEK! THIS SNATCH MUST COME OFF SMOOTH!

YOU GUYS CAN BLOW! I DON'T WANT ANY CHAPERONES WHEN I SEE MISS HUGHES HOME!

OKAY, NICK! WE'LL MEET YOU BACK AT THE HOUSE! GOOD-NIGHT, MISS HUGHES!

THE FAT GUYS BEEN STUNG BY CUPID! HE'S SEEN THAT BLONDE EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK, AND NEVER HAS HIS BODYGUARD AROUND WHEN HE'S KISSING HER GOODNIGHT!

A RING!! N...NICK!!

YES, BABY, THAT'S THE WAY I FEEL ABOUT YOU!

THE BEST TIME TO SNATCH THAT TUB OF LARD IS WHEN HE WALKS BACK TO HIS CAR! MAYBE TOMORROW NIGHT, EH?

LET'S WASTE NO MORE TIME! LET'S SNATCH BLANCO TOMORROW NIGHT! THE WAY HE'S MOONIN' OVER THAT BLONDE, HE'S LIABLE TO GO OFF ON A HONEY-MOON ANY MINUTE!

BUT WHERE WILL WE HIDE BLANCO?

IN OUR OLD BAY SHORE DROP! LOU, YOU'LL BE THE GO-BETWEEN! YOU'LL BRING THIS NOTE TO BLANCO'S BROTHER!

BUT FOR ALL DENNY'S SCHEMING, THE BLANCO KIDNAPPING, THE BLANCO KIDNAPPING WAS A MODEL OF HOW THE BEST-LAID CRIMINAL PLANS GO AWRY! NICK BLANCO JUST COULDN'T UNDERSTAND!

EASY, BLANCO-THIS IS NOT A STICK-UP!

YOU'RE GOIN' TO KILL ME! YOU'RE SOME OF MY OLD BOOTLEGGIN' ENEMIES!

OWW!! N..NO!! DON'T KILL ME!! I'VE GOT A LOT OF MONEY! YOU CAN HAVE IT-ONLY, DON'T KILL ME! FOR HEAVENS' SAKE, DON'T KILL ME!!

COME BACK, YOU FOOL! WE'RE NOT GOING TO SHOOT YOU!

THAT BLIMP WILL WAKE UP THE NEIGHBORHOOD WITH HIS SCREAMING!

BUT NICK BLANCO WAS TERRIFIED! HE FEARED WHAT EVERY SURVIVING BOOTLEGGER WAS AFRAID OF-THE VENGEANCE OF THOSE HIS BRUTAL FEET HAD TRAMPLED! NICK BLANCO'S HEART BEGAN TO CRACK UNDER ITS LAYERS OF QUAKING FAT!

BILL BRANFF SENT YOU! NO!! TH..THEY ALL SWORE THEY'D GET ME SOMEDAY! OHHH...MY CHEST!

# OBEDY THE LAW



I... I CAN'T BREATHE! I-I ...I'M...  
**URGH!!**

HE'S FALLING DOWN! D-DENNY! WASN'T NICK BLANCO SUPPOSE TO HAVE A WEAK HEART?!

I-I HEARD SOMETHIN' ABOUT IT! B-BUT...



H-HE'S DEAD! HE HAD A HEART ATTACK!

SO WHAT? AS LONG AS NICK'S BROTHER DOESN'T KNOW THE DIFFERENCE, HE'LL PAY OUT A HALF MILLION FOR A DEAD TUB OF FAT AS WELL AS A LIVE ONE! TONY, BRING THE CAR AROUND!

OKAY! BUT WE'LL NEED A DERRICK TO LIFT HIM!



EVERYTHING WENT WELL FOR TWO DAYS...THE POLICE WERE KEPT OUT OF IT, THE RANSOM WAS PAID, BUT THE GOODS WERE NOT DELIVERED AS GOOD AS NEW!

THERE'S NOT A MARK OF VIOLENCE ON BLANCO'S BODY! I UNDERSTAND HE HAD A HEART CONDITION! MORE LIKELY HE SUFFERED AN ATTACK WHILE DRIVING! HIS COMPANIONS BECAME FRIGHTENED AND THREW HIM OUT!

VERY POSSIBLE, DOCTOR! JUST THE SAME I'LL CHECK WITH NICK'S BROTHER! LIKE ALL RACKETEERS, BLANCO HAD A THOUSAND ENEMIES!



THE DIRTY DOUBLE-CROSSIN' LICE! I PLAYED BALL WITH THEM! I KEPT COPS OUT OF IT, I GAVE THEM \$200,000, AN' THEY DELIVER ME A STIFF!

IT'S YOUR OWN FAULT, BLANCO! YOU SHOULD HAVE REPORTED THE KIDNAPPING! DO YOU KNOW WHO THE KIDNAPPERS ARE?



NO, BUT I FIXED THE RATS GOOD! THEY ASKED FOR BILLS UNDER TWENTY, SO I SPENT A WHOLE NIGHT COPYIN' DOWN THE FIVES AN' TENS! YOU'LL NAIL 'EM THE SECOND THEY SPEND A FIN...

SO THAT'S HOW YOU PLAYED BALL WITH THEM, EH, BLANCO? THE WORLD'S WELL RID OF YOUR BROTHER, BUT IT'LL BE BETTER OFF STILL 'IF YOU CATCH THE SKUNKS WHO KIDNAPPED HIM! DOUGHERTY, GET A LIST OF MR. BLANCO'S RANSOM BILLS!



WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS, MOST OF THE TRADESPEOPLE IN TOWN HAD A PRINTED LIST OF THE HOT BILLS - AND NONE TOO SOON! A FEW HOURS LATER, A MID-TOWN DRUGGIST, WHO HAD PASTED A LIST ON HIS CASH REGISTER, MET TONY SEDAR.

WHAT'S THE MATTER, BUD? AIN'T MY DOUGH GOOD?

WHERE'D YOU GET THIS MONEY?



A LIST OF THE BILLS FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT!

GIVE ME MY MONEY BACK, OR I'LL BREAK YOUR CRUMMY NECK...

HE MUST BE ONE OF THE KIDNAPPERS! I'D BETTER REMEMBER HIS FACE!



IF TONY HADN'T BEEN A FOOL, HE WOULDN'T HAVE REPORTED THE INCIDENT TO DENNY RECKUS, BUT TONY WAS A FOOL, SO HE HAD TO TAKE THE CONSEQUENCES!

IF WE SPEND IT WE'LL GO TO THE CHAIR! WE CAN'T TOUCH EVEN A PENNY OF THE RANSOM!

WOULD THAT DRUGGIST RECOGNIZE YOU AGAIN, TONY?  
SURE, HE KEPT LOOKIN' AT ME! THAT'S HOW I GOT WISE SOMETHIN' WAS WRONG!

# OBEY THE LAW



UGH...  
HAVE YOU GONE NUTS? WHAT DID YOU HIT TONY FOR?

TONY WOULDN'T LIKE THE IDEA OF COMMITTING SUICIDE WHILE HE WAS CONSCIOUS!



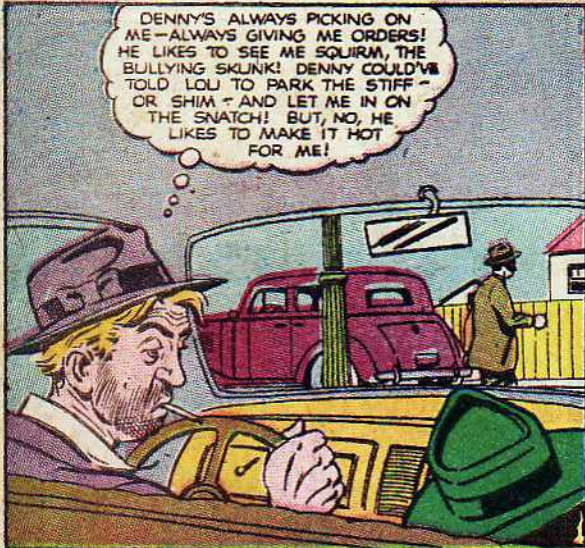
HE WAS A SAP TO LET HIMSELF BE IDENTIFIED BY THAT DRUGGIST! BUT IF TONY COMMITS SUICIDE, AN' IF THE COPS FIND HIM LYIN' IN A CAR WITH THE RANSOM DOUGH AND A NOTE HOW TONY COULDN'T STAND BEING HUNTED DOWN AND ELECTROCUTED, WE'LL BE IN THE CLEAR! GIVE ME A HAND WITH THE LUG! HE'S HEAVY!

I HOPE YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOIN', DENNY - I DON'T!



FOR PETE'S SAKE, DENNY, YOU KILLED HIM WITH MY GUN! WHY C-COULDNT YOU USE YOUR OWN ROD?

NOW THINK TWICE ABOUT SQUEALING, WISE GUY! LISTEN CAREFULLY! I'M TYPING OUT A SUICIDE NOTE FOR TONY! THEN YOU'RE TO DRIVE OUT AWAY AN' DUMP HIM! I'LL BE BUSY WITH ANOTHER SNATCH BECAUSE WE NEED UNMARKED MONEY!



DENNY'S ALWAYS PICKING ON ME - ALWAYS GIVING ME ORDERS! HE LIKES TO SEE ME SQUIRM, THE BULLYING SKUNK! DENNY COULDN'T TOLD LOU TO PARK THE STIFF - OR SHIM - AND LET ME IN ON THE SNATCH! BUT, NO, HE LIKES TO MAKE IT HOT FOR ME!



SOMEDAY I'LL... H...HEY, LOOK OUT!

MISTER!! WATCH OUT!!

BUT CYS COWARDLY THINKING HAD PARALYZED HIS NERVES! HE COULDN'T SWERVE IN TIME!



THE DIRTY RAT! HE HIT HIM AND DIDN'T EVEN STOP!

I JOTTED DOWN HIS LICENSE NUMBER, OFFICER! IT WAS K-4597-L!

GOOD! WE'LL PICK UP THAT SKUNK WITHIN TEN MINUTES! MEANWHILE, I'LL LOCATE A DOCTOR!



I...I'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO MAKE IT ACROSS THE BRIDGE! THE COPS WOULD NAIL ME SURE! WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE WHERE I LEAVE TONY? COULDN'T A GUY COMMIT SUICIDE ANY PLACE?

LIKE MOST CHICKEN-HEARTED CRIMINALS, CY RECKUS LOST HIS HEAD WHEN HE BECAME PANICKY!



UNFORTUNATELY, A HALF HOUR LATER, THE POLICE FOUND CYS 'GRIP' ON THE WHEEL OF THE SUICIDE CAR!

HEY, ED! I JUST LOOKED AT THESE FINGERPRINTS ON THE WHEEL THROUGH MY MAGNIFYING GLASS, AND NOT ONE BELONGS TO THE CORPSE!

AND LOOK AT THESE ROPES AND BANDAGES I FOUND IN THE TRUNK! THEY'RE STANDARD KIDNAPPING EQUIPMENT!

# OBEY THE LAW

WE CHECKED THOSE FINGERPRINTS ON THE WHEEL, LIEUTENANT WALTERS! THEY BELONG TO CY RECKUS!

MR. AND MRS. PRETORIA ARE HERE, SIR!

MR. AND MRS. PRETORIA, I WANT YOU TO TELL ME IF YOU'VE EVER SEEN THIS DEAD MAN!

Y-YES! H-HE'S THE ONE WHO CAME AROUND WITH CY RECKUS! HE WAS VERY MEAN AND TOUGH—A REAL HOODLUM!

I, TOO, SAW HIM WITH SOMEBODY ELSE—A MAN WHO SWORE HE'D KILL US IF I BETRAYED HIM! BUT I CAN'T LIVE A LIFE OF FEAR! HE FORCED ME TO CONTRADICT MY HUSBAND'S TESTIMONY!

YOU'RE NOT ONLY BRAVE, MRS. PRETORIA, BUT SMART FOR TELLING ME!

THE FORTY-EIGHT HOURS CY RECKUS HAD TO SPEND IN TOWN WAITING FOR A RENDEZVOUS WITH HIS BROTHER PROVED FATAL! THE FOLLOWING NIGHT HE WAS SPOTTED COMING OUT OF A DOWNTOWN RESTAURANT!

B-BUT, OFFICER—YOU'RE MAKING A MISTAKE ARRESTING ME! I—I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING WRONG!

SHUT UP AND HOLD OUT YOUR HANDS!

THIS LOOKS LIKE YOUR FINISH, CY! YOUR GUN KILLED TONY SEDAR, YOUR PRINTS WERE ON THE STEERING WHEEL, YOU'VE BEEN IDENTIFIED BY MR. AND MRS. PRETORIA! YOU'RE A CINCH FOR THE HOT SEAT, WHILE YOUR BROTHER DENNY REMAINS AS FREE AS A BREEZE! SEEMS UNFAIR, DOESN'T IT?

LET ME ALONE, W-WILL YOU? WHY DO YOU TORTURE ME? I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING! I SWEAR I DIDN'T!

YOU'RE LYING, CY, YOU'RE SHIELDING YOUR ROTTEN BROTHER! YOU'LL FRY, AND HE'LL GO FREE!

BUT IF YOU TALKED UP—IF YOU TOLD US WHO KILLED MY UNCLE BERT, WHO KIDNAPPED NICK BLANCO AND SHOT TONY SEDAR—MAYBE YOU WOULDN'T GO TO THE CHAIR!

THAT'S RIGHT! EVERYTHING WAS DENNY'S IDEA, ANYWAY! WHY SHOULD I CROAK FOR HIM? WHY?

THINK, CY! THINK! IF DENNY WAS IN YOUR PLACE WOULDN'T HE SAVE HIS SKIN?

MEANWHILE, DENNY HAD ENOUGH ANGUISH OF HIS OWN! WHEN HE FOUND OUT THAT CY HAD BEEN ARRESTED...

ASKIN' FOR 300 GRAND AND SETTLING FOR \$75,000! YOU MUST BE CUCKOO, BOSS! ANOTHER DAY AND NUGENT'S WIFE'D HAVE KICKED IN THE WHOLE BANKROLL!

WE CAN'T WASTE TIME! I NEED THAT \$75,000 TO BAIL CY OUT! I'M NOT SAFE TILL CY'S SHUT UP FOR GOOD!

CY KNOWS TOO MUCH, HE KNOWS THINGS THAT GO BACK INTO THE PAST—THINGS WALTERS WOULD GIVE A MILLION BUCKS TO FIND OUT! AND WHEN CY GETS SCARED, THE YELLOW DOG DOESN'T CARE WHO GETS IT, AS LONG AS HE GOES FREE!

A GUY I'VE NEVER SEEN IN MY LIFE TURNS UP WITH \$50,000 BAIL, WALTERS! HE SAYS IT'S FROM A FRIEND! W-WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

IT MEANS YOUR "FRIEND" WANTS TO GET YOU ON THE OUTSIDE WHERE HE CAN PLUMP EVERYTHING YOU KNOW OUT OF YOU—WITH A SHOTGUN!

DENNY WANTS TO KILL YOU, CY, BECAUSE HE'S AFRAID YOU MIGHT SQUEAL ON HIM TO SAVE YOUR OWN LIFE! YOU'LL NEVER BE SAFE, CY, AS LONG AS YOU CAN TELL WHAT HAPPENED IN MY UNCLE BERT'S STORE THAT NIGHT DENNY TRIED TO COLLECT PROTECTION MONEY FOR SANDY MALINO, AND MY UNCLE CAME UP WITH A GUN! CONFESS YOU SAW DENNY KILL MY UNCLE, AND YOU'LL BE RID OF DENNY'S THREATS FOREVER!

# OBEY THE LAW

ALL RIGHT, DENNY DID KILL HIM! I WAS THERE! I SAW EVERYTHIN'! HE KIDNAPPED NICK BLANCO! HE KILLED TONY SEDAR TOO! NOW WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO?

HELP ME CAPTURE DENNY ALIVE! AS LONG AS HE'S FREE, YOUR LIFE IS IN DANGER! THERE'S A LETTER FOR YOU! IT PROBABLY TELLS YOU WHERE YOU CAN MEET DENNY! YOU GO TO THAT SPOT! WE'LL BE RIGHT BEHIND TO PROTECT YOU AGAINST ANY THREAT BY DENNY!

THERE WAS ONE THING YOU HAD TO SAY FOR DENNY RECKUS! HE HAD A MOST SUSPICIOUS NATURE! HE SAW THAT CY WAS UNUSUALLY NERVOUS AND SHAKY...

THE SKUNK'S KEEPIN' SOMETHIN' FROM ME! MAYBE HE'S ALREADY MADE A DEAL WITH WALTERS!

IT'S YOUR SHIRT! IT'S BLACK! I... I KNOW WHAT BLACK MEANS!

YOU'RE DROPPIN' YOUR CHANGE! WHAT'RE YOU SO NERVOUS ABOUT, CY?

THEN IF YOU KNOW WHAT IT MEANS, KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT AN' DON'T PULL ANY FUNNY STUFF, OR THIS GUN IN MY POCKET'LL GO OFF IN YOUR BACK! YOU'RE GOIN' TO WALK DOWN THESE STEPS AN' GO INTO THE WASH ROOM...

YOU'RE GOIN' TO KILL ME L-LIKE YOU KILLED JACK GOLISS YEARS AGO FOR SANDY MALINO! YOU SHOT HIM IN THE WASH ROOM WHEN THE TRAINS PASSED!

D-DON'T KILL ME, DENNY! I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHIN'! WALTERS TAILED MY CAB IN A PATROL CAR! HE'LL BE HERE ANY SECOND! HE WANTS YOU ALIVE!

WALTERS? THERE HE IS NOW! QUICK! DOWN THE STAIRS!!

THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY YOU CAN SAVE YOUR NECK, NOW! HERE'S A GUN! IF YOU SURRENDER LIKE YOU DID ON THE ROOF SIX YEARS AGO, SO HELP ME, I'LL KILL YOU, CY! NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS TO ME...

OKAY, DENNY! M-MAYBE WE CAN GET AWAY, IF WE FIGHT IT OUT!

DROP THOSE GUNS, RECKUS, OR TAKE THE CONSEQUENCES!

HE DOESN'T HEAR THAT EXPRESS! HE'S TEMPORARILY DEAF FROM THE SHOTS! HE'S RUNNING STRAIGHT INTO IT, THE IDIOT!

LOOK, DENNY, SEEM I'M NOT YELLOW! I-I...

DROP IT, CY! YOU'VE JUST SHOT YOUR CHANCE TO ESCAPE THE CHAIR!

I...I DIDN'T MEAN TO SHOOT HIM! THE GUN WENT OFF ACCIDENTALLY! DENNY GOT ME ALL MIXED UP! IT WAS A MISTAKE, WALTERS! SEE? I'M THROWIN' AWAY MY GUN! I SURRENDER!

HE'S DEAD! OHHH... I-I CAN'T LOOK!

AS USUAL, YOUR BROTHER WAS DRESSED FOR THE OCCASION! HE DIDN'T KNOW IT, BUT HE DRESSED FOR HIS OWN FUNERAL!

FREEEEEE!!!

AND WHEN CY RECKUS WENT TO HIS FUNERAL, HE WASN'T SO PERFECTLY ATTRED. PERHAPS, BUT CONSIDERING WHERE CY WAS HEADED, IT SHOULDN'T BE HELD AGAINST HIM THAT HE WORE DEAD-HOUSE DENIMS! FOR IN THE END, CLOTHES-MAD KILLER AND COWARDLY CRIMINAL BOTH WORE THE SAME UNIFORMS! WHITE SHROUDS - THE PROPER COSTUME FOR ANY AND EVERY MURDERER!

THE END

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# REDUCE

## YOUR APPEARANCE! LOOK AND FEEL LIKE SIXTEEN AGAIN!

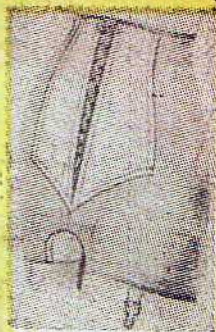
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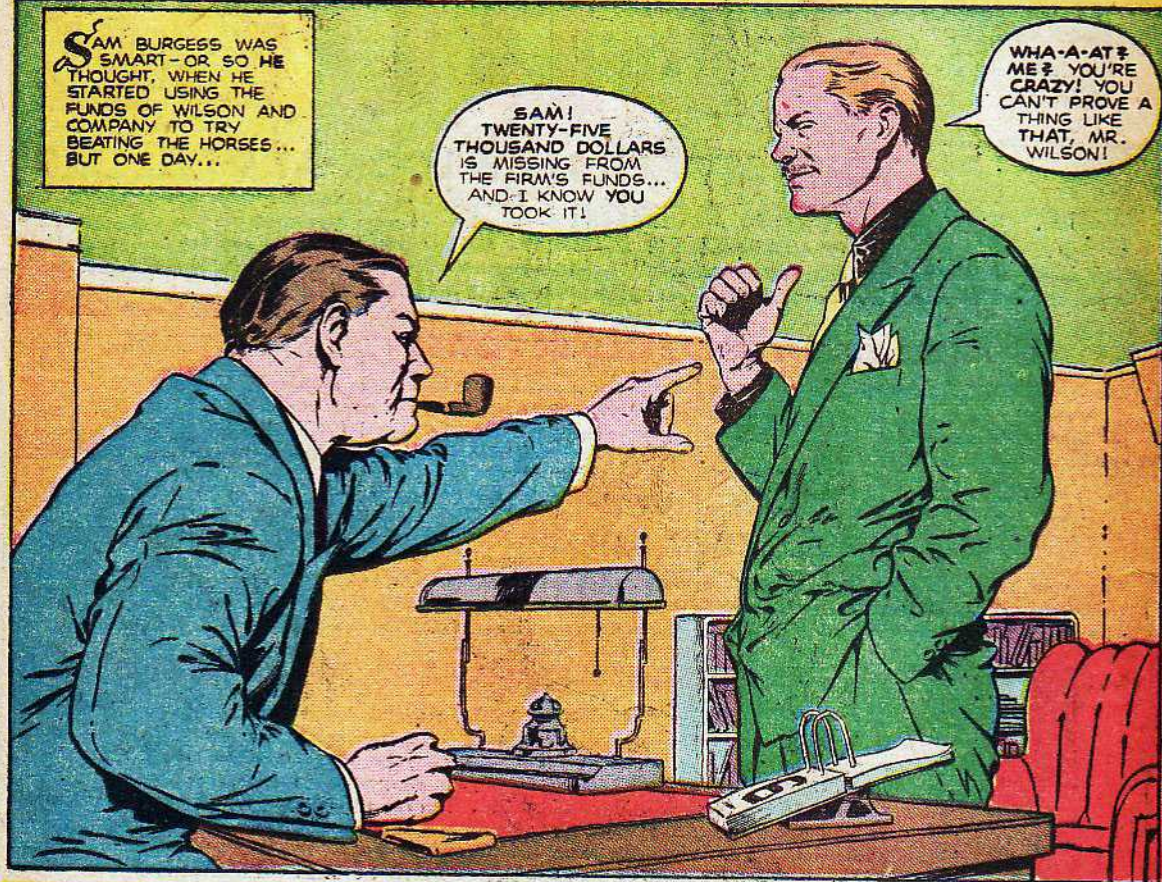
# THE DAISY CHAIN OF DEATH!

THE STORY OF  
A SMALL FRY  
SWINDLER'S  
CLUMSY ATTEMPT  
AT COVERING  
HIS CRIME!

SAM BURGESS WAS SMART—OR SO HE THOUGHT, WHEN HE STARTED USING THE FUNDS OF WILSON AND COMPANY TO TRY BEATING THE HORSES... BUT ONE DAY...

SAM!  
TWENTY-FIVE  
THOUSAND DOLLARS  
IS MISSING FROM  
THE FIRM'S FUNDS...  
AND I KNOW YOU  
TOOK IT!

WHA-A-AT?  
ME? YOU'RE  
CRAZY! YOU  
CAN'T PROVE A  
THING LIKE  
THAT, MR.  
WILSON!



IT WON'T BE DIFFICULT TO PROVE... CONSIDERING YOUR PAST RECORD!

OH, YEAH? WELL, GO AHEAD, AND SEE WHERE IT'LL GET YOU!



DON'T ACT HIGH AND MIGHTY WITH ME, SAM! I'VE GOT YOU OVER A BARREL... I KNOW YOU'RE A THREE-TIME LOSER! YOU'LL DO AS I SAY, OR IT'S LIFE!

YOU DON'T GIVE ME MUCH CHOICE! WHAT ARE YOU GETTING AT?



FIRST, A SIGNED CONFESSION AND AN AGREEMENT TO PAY BACK EVERY CENT IN WEEKLY INSTALLMENTS! IF YOU MISS A SINGLE PAYMENT, I'LL PROSECUTE! I'M INTERESTED ONLY IN GETTING MY MONEY BACK!

OKAY! GIVE ME THE CONFESSION!



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THERE YOU ARE, MR. WILSON! RIGHT ON THE DOTTED LINE! AM I OFF YOUR PAY-ROLL, TOO?

ARE YOU KIDDING? NOW GET OUT! AND MAKE SURE YOU'RE HERE NEXT WEEK WITH THE FIRST PAYMENT!



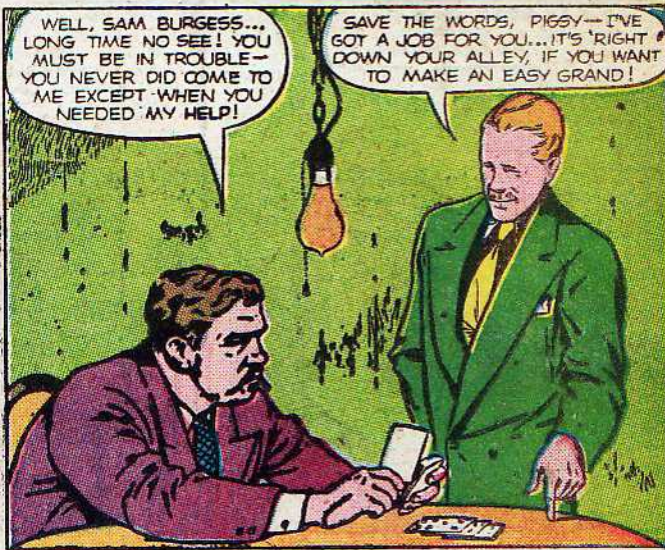
TWO MONTHS LATER... I'VE BEEN PAYING YOU BACK REGULARLY FOR EIGHT WEEKS, SO WHAT IF I DID MISS LAST WEEK'S PAYMENT? IF YOU SEND ME UP, YOU'LL NEVER COLLECT! ALL I WANT IS SOME MORE TIME!

I'LL GIVE YOU TILL MIDNIGHT TONIGHT! EITHER YOU BRING THE MONEY TO MY APARTMENT, OR ELSE!



IS PIGSY AROUND?

YEAH... BACK THERE!



WELL, SAM BURGESS... LONG TIME NO SEE! YOU MUST BE IN TROUBLE—YOU NEVER DID COME TO ME EXCEPT WHEN YOU NEEDED MY HELP!

SAVE THE WORDS, PIGSY—I'VE GOT A JOB FOR YOU...IT'S 'RIGHT DOWN YOUR ALLEY, IF YOU WANT TO MAKE AN EASY GRAND!



I WANT YOU TO KNOCK OFF MY OLD BOSS, TAYLOR WILSON... AND GET A CERTAIN PAPER OUT OF HIS SAFE! IT SHOULD BE AN EASY JOB... HE LIVES ALONE! I'LL PAY OFF QUICK, TOO!



WHAT'S THE CATCH? WHAT'S IN THAT PAPER YOU WANT ME TO HEIST?

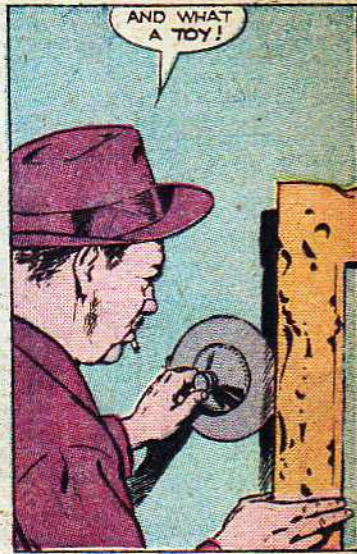
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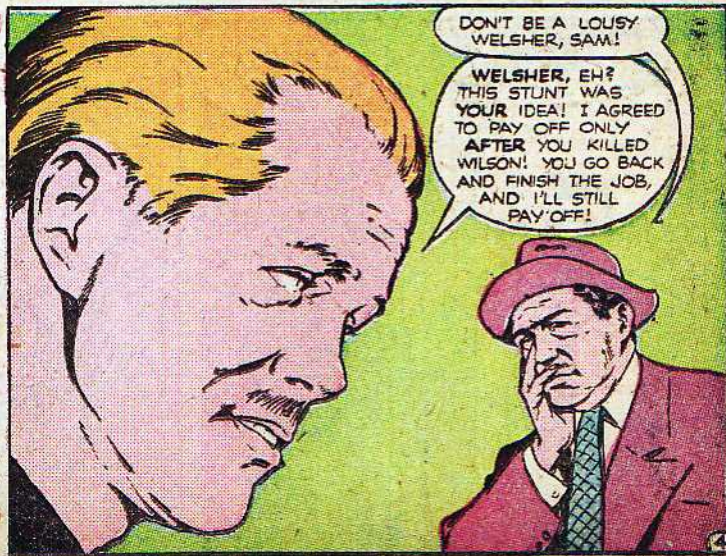
DON'T GIVE ME THAT "CHICKEN" STUFF, CHUM! I'LL DO IT! BUT HOW'LL I KNOW THE PAPER WHEN I SEE IT?

IT'S IN A GREEN SEALED ENVELOPE!

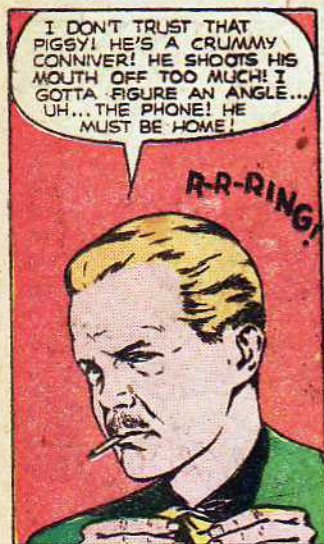
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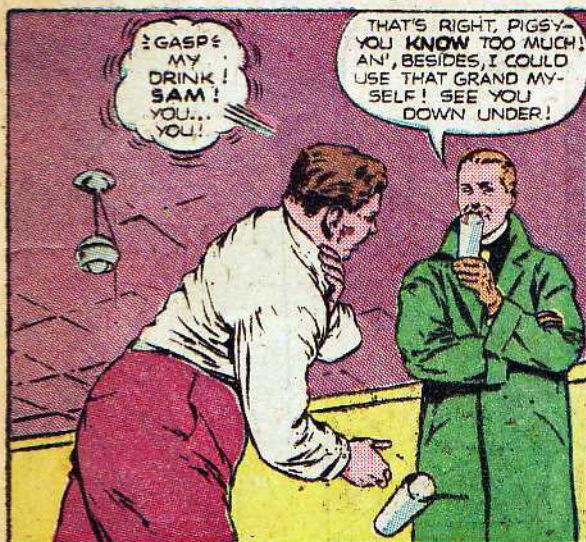
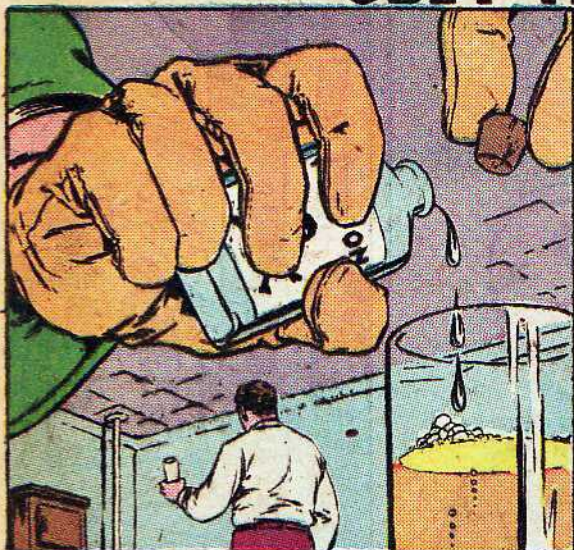
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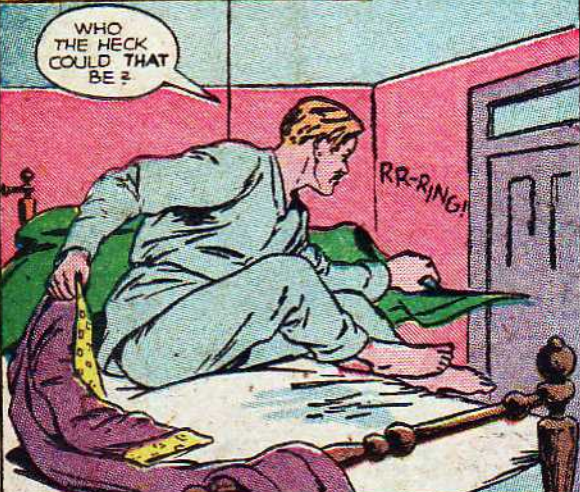


THERE'S  
NOBODY IN  
THE HALL!...  
GOOD!



THERE'S  
NOBODY IN  
THE HALL!...  
GOOD!

BUT, EARLY THE NEXT MORNING...



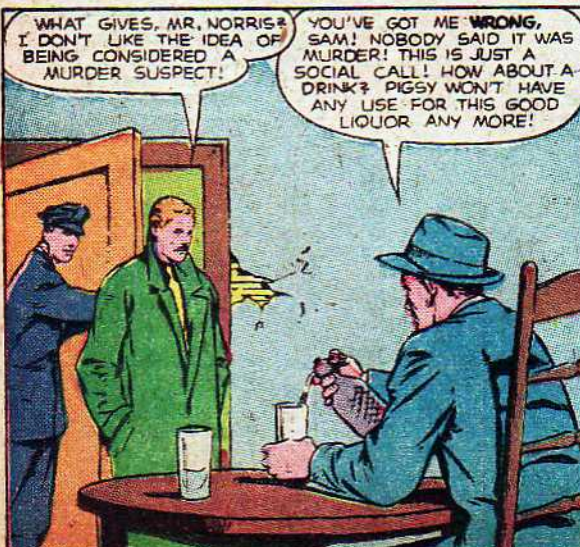
WHO THE  
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COULD THAT  
BE?

RR-RING!



MR. BURGESSE?  
INSPECTOR MORRIS  
WANTS TO SEE  
YOU! YOUR  
FRIEND PIGSY  
O'MALLEY WAS  
FOUND DEAD IN  
HIS APARTMENT  
LAST NIGHT!

WH...WHAT'S  
PIGSY DEAD?  
WHAT'S THAT GOT  
TO DO WITH  
ME?



WHAT GIVES, MR. NORRIS?  
I DON'T LIKE THE IDEA OF  
BEING CONSIDERED A  
MURDER SUSPECT!

YOU'VE GOT ME WRONG,  
SAM! NOBODY SAID IT WAS  
MURDER! THIS IS JUST A  
SOCIAL CALL! HOW ABOUT A  
DRINK? PIGSY WON'T HAVE  
ANY USE FOR THIS GOOD  
LIQUOR ANY MORE!



I CALLED YOU IN BECAUSE YOUR  
OLD BOSS, TAYLOR WILSON, WAS  
KILLED LAST NIGHT, TOO! WE'VE  
CHECKED PIGSY'S GUN - HE KILLED  
WILSON! SINCE YOU KNEW BOTH MEN,  
I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT WANT TO  
TELL US SOMETHING!

SORRY, INSPECTOR!  
BUT OFF-  
HAND I CAN'T  
THINK OF  
A THING  
THAT'LL  
HELP!

# OBEY THE LAW



WE'RE UP AGAINST A SHREWD OPERATOR, SAM! PIGSY WAS KILLED, BUT THE KILLER MADE SURE HE DIDN'T LEAVE ANY FINGERPRINTS OR ANY OTHER CLUES... OH! CARE FOR A REFILL?

UH, NO THANKS! GO ON WITH THE STORY!



BUT WE DID FIND A LIP PRINT ON THE GLASS PIGSY WAS SUPPOSED TO BE DRINKING FROM... ONLY IT WASN'T PIGSY'S! IN HIS ANXIETY TO COMMIT THE PERFECT CRIME, THE KILLER ACCIDENTALLY WASHED OUT PIGSY'S GLASS... LEAVING HIS OWN! AND LIP PRINTS ARE AS IDENTIFYING AS FINGERPRINTS!

WHAT?!



GIMME THAT GLASS!

GOT IT, INSPECTOR!

REILLY! CATCH IT!



HOLD IT, BURGESS... OR I'LL BREAK YOUR ARM!



I'VE GOT THE CLIFFS ON HIM, REILLY! SEARCH HIM!



HMM! WHAT'S THIS?

THE CONFESSION! I FORGOT TO GET RID OF IT! I'LL BURN FOR SURE NOW!



THIS TELLS US THE WHOLE STORY, SAM! THIS CONFESSION IS ON WILSON'S STATIONERY! YOU HIRED PIGSY TO KILL WILSON, AND THEN KILLED PIGSY SO YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TO PAY OFF! BUT YOU SLIPPED UP, SAM! WHERE THERE'S A MURDER, THERE'S ALWAYS A SLIP-UP!

The End



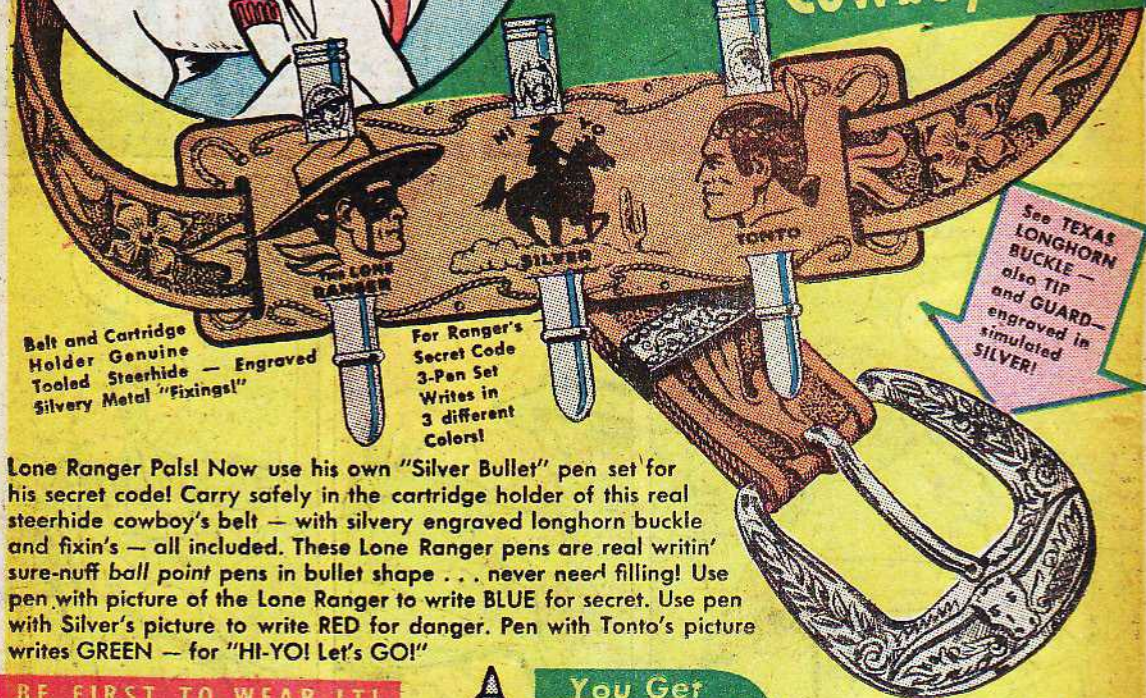
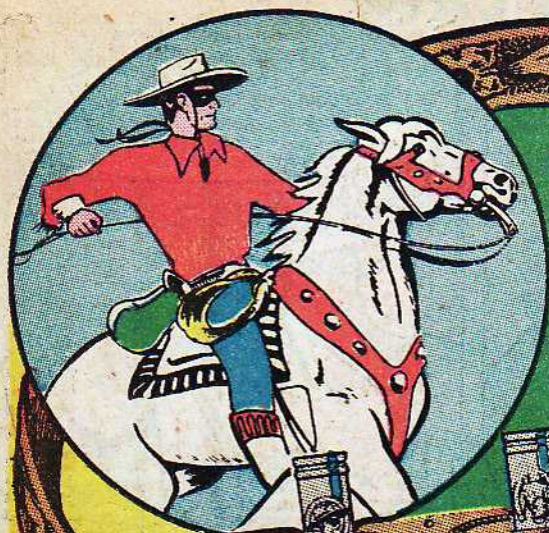
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## ON THE LEVEL

by **C.H. MOORE**  
DRAWN ESPECIALLY FOR  
"CRIME AND PUNISHMENT!"



**OSWALD CARTER III** of Iowa  
WAS ARRESTED FOR DISTURBING THE PEACE  
IN A NIGHTCLUB, BUT WAS FREED BY THE  
JUDGE ON THE GROUNDS THAT THERE IS  
NO PEACE IN A NIGHTCLUB TO DISTURB!

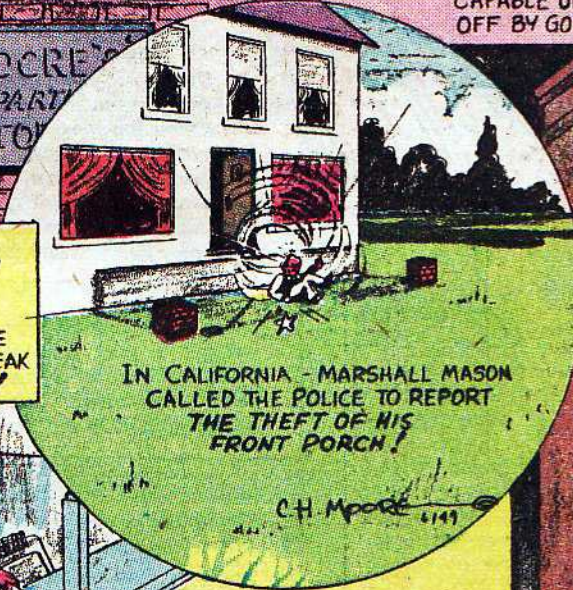


A PRISONER IN A STATE PENITENTIARY  
WROTE A LETTER TO AN AIRCRAFT COMPANY,  
ASKING THE PRICE OF A HELICOPTER, HOW  
LONG IT TAKES TO WARM IT UP BEFORE TAKE-OFF  
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RELEASED ON PROBATION  
FOR BREAKING INTO A  
VERMONT DEPARTMENT  
STORE—WAS CAUGHT THE  
NEXT NIGHT TRYING TO BREAK  
INTO THE SAME STORE!



IN CALIFORNIA—MARSHALL MASON  
CALLED THE POLICE TO REPORT  
THE THEFT OF HIS  
FRONT PORCH!

C.H. MOORE 6/14/49



**MODERN ROBIN HOOD!**  
**EARL DRAKE** of London, England  
(A BANK CLERK)  
TRANSFERRED \$70,000 FROM THE  
ACCOUNTS OF WEALTHY CLIENTS TO THE ACCOUNTS  
OF POOR PEOPLE! HE TOOK NOTHING FOR  
HIMSELF! DRAKE WAS SENTENCED TO  
ONE YEAR IN JAIL!



**FRANK RADEL** WAS IN A PHONE  
BOOTH BUT COULDN'T CALL THE  
POLICE TO TELL THEM HIS STORE  
HAD BEEN ROBBED BECAUSE 8  
CUSTOMERS WERE PACKED IN  
WITH HIM AND HE COULDN'T MOVE!

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# CHARLES "LUCKY" WARD

## THE LONE WOLF OF DIAMONDS!

THE UNDERWORLD KNEW HIM ONLY BY THE NAME OF "LUCKY," AND THE NAME SEEMED TO FIT—BUT TO THE CRAIG CITY POLICE HE WAS JUST A WANTED THIEF AND MURDERER, UNTIL A DETERMINED DETECTIVE RAN DOWN THE SLIMMEST CLUES AND FINALLY CAUGHT THE SLIPPERY KILLER IN A TRAP OF HIS OWN MAKING!



DON'T SHOOT US! WE QUIT!

FINE, BOYS! WE WOULDN'T WANT TO CHEAT THE EXECUTIONER! NOW, WHERE IS WARD?

ILLUSTRATED  
by JOSEPH GAGLIARDI

SEPTEMBER 12, 1937—INSPECTOR RIORDEN, OF THE CRAIG CITY POLICE HEADQUARTERS, WAS HAVING VISITORS...

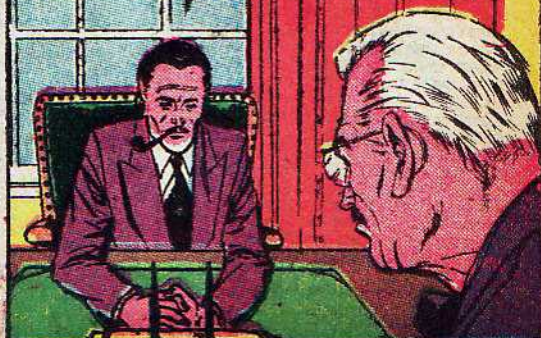
THE MAN IS BOLD, AND A DANGEROUS KILLER! THERE'S NO WAY OF MEASURING THE VALUE OF THE GOLD CLIP HE TOOK FROM OUR MUSEUM! THE GOLD ITSELF WAS WORTH SEVERAL THOUSAND DOLLARS, BUT A FIFTEENTH CENTURY WORK OF ART—WHY, IT'S PRICELESS!

NOT SO WITH THE DIAMOND-STUDDED TIARA HE STOLE FROM MY JEWELRY STORE, INSPECTOR! THAT WAS VALUED AT 15,000 DOLLARS!



I ASSURE YOU, GENTLEMEN, I HAVE THE BEST DETECTIVES ON THE FORCE HUNTING DOWN THIS CRIMINAL! WE'LL GET HIM, BUT IT'S SLOW! IF HE MELTS DOWN THE GOLD AND TAKES THE STONES FROM THE TIARA—YOU CAN SEE HOW DIFFICULT IT WOULD BE TRACING THEM!

HE MUST BE CAUGHT BEFORE HE DOES, SIR! I CAN'T AFFORD SUCH A LOSS!



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WHAT IN BLAZES?  
NOW, THERE'S A  
SLIPPERY GENT  
FOR YOU!



HALT!  
STOP, OR  
I'LL  
BLAST  
YOU!



THE HAZY NIGHT OFFERED THE  
PATROLMAN A POOR TARGET!  
THUS THE BURGLAR WAS ABLE  
TO AVOID CAPTURE!



I GOT AWAY BY  
THE SKIN OF MY  
TEETH! I'D BETTER  
LAY OFF FOR  
A WHILE!



OH, GOOD  
MORNING, MR.  
WARD! WAS THAT  
YOU I HEARD  
COMING IN AT  
TWO THIS  
MORNING?

GOOD  
MORNING, MRS.  
CHARTER! ER, I  
GUESS IT MAY  
HAVE BEEN—I  
WAS OUT WITH  
SOME OF THE  
BOYS!



IT'S A WONDER  
SOME GIRL HASN'T  
CAUGHT HIM YET—  
A GOOD, STEADY-  
WORKIN' MAN, NOT  
GOOD-LOOKING,  
BUT A GENT!

NOSEY OLD  
HAG! I'LL HAVE  
TO WATCH OUT  
FOR HER!



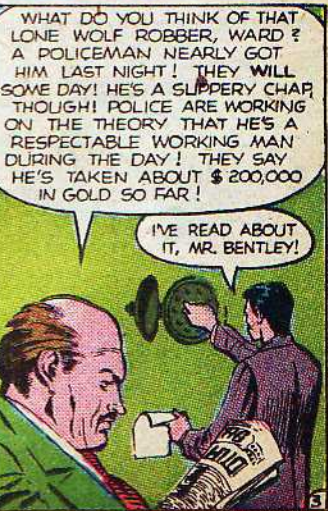
HUH? GOOD  
MORNING, THORP!  
YOU SAY  
BENTLEY WANTS  
TO SEE ME?  
WHAT FOR?  
WHAT'S THE  
TROUBLE?

GOSH, BUT YOU'RE  
JUMPY THIS MORNING,  
CHARLIE! THE BOSS  
ONLY WANTS TO  
GIVE YOU THE PAY-  
ROLL LIST! IT'S PAY-  
DAY, OR ARE YOU SO  
RICH YOUR WEEK'S  
SALARY DOESN'T  
MEAN ANYTHING  
TO YOU?



ARE YOU KIDDING?

WHAT'S THE MATTER  
WITH ME? GOT TO WATCH  
MYSELF, OR PEOPLE WILL  
START GETTING  
SUSPICIOUS!



WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THAT  
LONE WOLF ROBBER, WARD?  
A POLICEMAN NEARLY GOT  
HIM LAST NIGHT! THEY WILL  
SOME DAY! HE'S A SLIPPERY CHAP  
THOUGH! POLICE ARE WORKING  
ON THE THEORY THAT HE'S A  
RESPECTABLE WORKING MAN  
DURING THE DAY! THEY SAY  
HE'S TAKEN ABOUT \$200,000  
IN GOLD SO FAR!

I'VE READ ABOUT  
IT, MR. BENTLEY!

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MEANWHILE, DETECTIVE PAUL BRADFORD WAS CHECKING WITH SUSPECTED FENCES IN CRAIG CITY... AMOS COWLING WAS FIRST!

NO, I SWEAR I HAVEN'T SEEN ANY OF THOSE ITEMS! YOU KNOW I'D BE THE FIRST ONE TO CALL YOU COPS IF STOLEN GOODS TURNED UP HERE!

IN A PIG'S NECK, COWLING! JUST REMEMBER, THOUGH, IF YOU'RE CAUGHT WITH THE GOODS, YOU'RE GOING UP THE RIVER!



BRADFORD HAD HARDLY BEEN GONE FIVE MINUTES WHEN COWLING HAD ANOTHER CALLER!



I THOUGHT I'D BE HAVING A VISIT FROM YOU, LUCKY! I READ ABOUT LAST NIGHT!

YEAH? SNAP IT UP, AMOS! I HAD TO RUSH HOME FOR MY SUIT-CASE! I'M ON MY LUNCH HOUR! HERE LOOK IT OVER!



ALL RIGHT, AMOS... \$8,000! BUT YOU'RE GETTIN' A BARGAIN! THE PAPERS SAID THE STUFF'S WORTH \$22,000! GIVE ME THE CASH AN' LET ME GET OUT... I ONLY HAVE TEN MINUTES TO GET BACK TO THE OFFICE!

I LIKE "DOIN' BUSINESS WITH YOU, LUCKY! A REAL NICE COLLECTION THIS IS!



SOME DAY I'M GOIN' TO PULL ONE BIG JOB AN' QUIT—I'LL GET AWAY FROM THIS PART OF THE COUNTRY!

WHAT ARE YOU KICKIN' ABOUT? I'VE PAID YOU ALMOST 25 G'S FOR THE STUFF YOU'VE BROUGHT IN! YOU COULD RETIRE RIGHT NOW!



YOU GAVE ME TWENTY-FIVE G'S, YEAH... FOR \$200,000 WORTH OF LOOT! THE COPS ARE BEGINNING TO GET CLOSER! LAST NIGHT I WAS ALMOST CAUGHT! YES, SIR—ONE MORE BIG JOB, AN' I'M THROUGH!



... ONE NIGHT, A WEEK LATER, THE "LONE ROBBER" THOUGHT HE HAD FOUND THAT ONE BIG STRIKE!

I'VE SET THE ALARM, SWENSEN! I'LL SEE YOU IN THE MORNING! GOOD NIGHT!

GOOD NIGHT, MR. MARTINSEN!

THIS IS THE JOB I'VE BEEN WAITIN' FOR! \$500,000 WORTH OF JEWELS WILL SET ME UP FOR LIFE!



SOMEBODY'S ON THE STAIRS... THINKS I DON'T SEE HIM... THERE'LL BE A LITTLE SURPRISE IN STORE FOR YOU, MISTER!



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A HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THREE OUNCES! THE EXACT WEIGHT OF THE GOLD STATUETTE THAT WAS STOLEN FROM DE WITTE'S STORE BY THAT SO-CALLED LONE WOLF! BUTE A COINCIDENCE!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKIN' ABOUT! I'VE COLLECTED THAT GOLD FOR OVER A YEAR!

I BELIEVE YOU, COWLING, AND SOME DAY I'M GOING TO GET THE GOODS ON YOU!

BAH! YOU COPS WON'T LET AN HONEST MAN GO ABOUT HIS BUSINESS! YOU GOT NOTHING ON ME!

IN DESPERATION, CHARLES "LUCKY" WARD SOUGHT OUT EVERY FENCE IN AND AROUND CRAIG CITY-- WITH THE SAME RESULT...

LISTEN, I'M WILLING TO LET THE WHOLE HALF-MILLION'S WORTH GO FOR A HUNDRED THOUSAND, FARREL!

I WOULDN'T TAKE THEM AS A GIFT! THEY'VE GOT BLOOD ON 'EM! HUH, SO YOU'RE THE LONE WOLF, EH? LONE SUCKER IS MORE LIKE IT!

YOU KNOW YOUR WAY AROUND, FARREL! WHO CAN I SELL THESE STONES TO...HOW CAN I GET RID OF THEM?

TAKE MY ADVICE, PAL-- THROW 'EM IN THE RIVER AND GET OUT OF TOWN!

I GOT TO GET OUT OF THE COUNTRY... FARREL IS RIGHT! I KILLED A MAN TO GET THESE JEWELS... I'VE GOT TO CASH IN ON THEM-- I'VE GOT TO GET SOMEBODY TO BUY THEM!

WARD AT LAST FOUND AN INTERESTED PARTY... A LOCAL HOODLUM, KNUCKLES MORTON...

..THE KHALNAR ROCKS? LOOK, CHUM, I WANT TO CALL IN THE BOYS TO SEE THEM!

NO! WAIT! SUPPOSING THEY TALK?

DON'T WORRY! THEY WON'T!

SSSSST! BOYS... AL! SHORTY! C'MON INSIDE!

UH? YEAH, OKAY, KNUCKLES! C'MON!

PHOOEY! ALWAYS WHEN I'M WINNIN', THIS HAPPENS!

WOW! NO WONDER AMOS COWLING CALLS YOU "LUCKY"! WHAT A HAUL!

I NEVER SAW A COOL 500 G'S SITTING ON THE TABLE LIKE THAT BEFORE!

DON'T WORRY! WE WON'T SQUEAL ON YOU! YOU'RE A SMART COOKIE, LUCKY, COVERING UP WITH A REGULAR JOB!

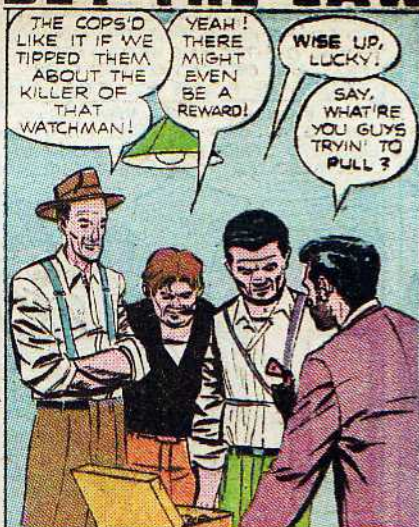
I HAVEN'T BEEN TO THE OFFICE FOR A WEEK! I'VE BEEN TRYIN' TO UNLOAD THESE GEMS! ARE YOU INTERESTED?

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FORGET THESE ROCKS FOR NOW! I GOT AN IDEA, LUCKY! A SMART COOKIE LIKE YOU COULD FIGURE A JOB THAT'D SET US ALL UP FOR GOOD...

HOLD ON! I CAME TO YOU BECAUSE I WANT TO UNLOAD THIS STUFF! DON'T TRY TO RING ME INTO YOUR MOB! I'VE NEVER WORKED WITH ANYBODY BEFORE!



THE COPS'D LIKE IT IF WE TIPPED THEM ABOUT THE KILLER OF THAT WATCHMAN!

YEAH! THERE MIGHT EVEN BE A REWARD!

WISE UP, LUCKY!  
SAY, WHAT'RE YOU GUYS TRYIN' TO PULL?



YOU'LL NEVER GET RID OF THE KHALNARS UNLESS YOU GET OUT OF THE COUNTRY! WHY NOT MAKE ONE BIG KILLIN' WITH US, AND WE'LL ALL GO TO SOUTH AMERICA?

OKAY-I'M WITH YOU! I KNOW ONE JOB THAT SHOULD BE A REAL SOFT HEIST, BUT I'VE BEEN SAVING IT FOR MY LAST DAY IN THIS BURG! IT'S THE PLACE I WORK IN!



IN THE MEANTIME... ALL RIGHT, PAUL, ASSUMING YOU'RE RIGHT ABOUT THIS GUY HOLDING A REGULAR JOB FOR A FRONT, BUT WHAT DOES THAT LEAD YOU TO?

WELL, HE MUST BE HAVING A BAD TIME TRYING TO FIND A FENCE TO TAKE THOSE GEMS OFF HIS HANDS! MAYBE HE WOULDN'T HAVE TIME TO GO TO HIS JOB!



--IT'S A LONG SHOT, INSPECTOR, BUT I'VE CHECKED WITH MISSING PERSONS! NOW, LOOK AT THIS ONE-RICHARD BENTLEY OF THE MACHINE COMPANY SAYS THAT HIS CASHIER HASN'T SHOWN UP FOR A WEEK! HE HASN'T EVEN CALLED!

MAYBE THE FELLOW IS SICK OR SOMETHING! YOU MIGHT CHECK ON IT! BUT THAT ISN'T MUCH TO GO ON!



NO, SIR! MR. WARD HAS BEEN FINE! BUT HE'S BEEN COMING AND GOING AT ALL TIMES OF THE DAY! PECULIAR, I THOUGHT, BUT MAYBE HE'S ON VACATION!

WOULD YOU MIND IF I TAKE A LOOK IN HIS CLOSET?

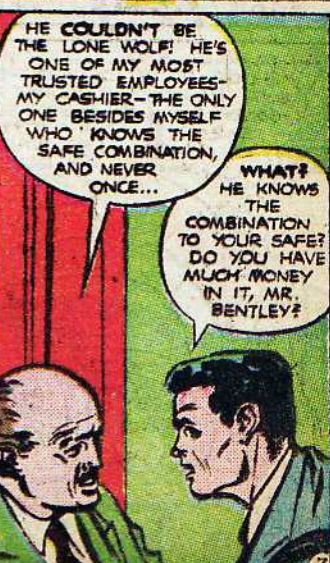


I SUPPOSE IT'S ALL RIGHT, BUT MR. WARD IS A PERFECT GENT-AS FAR AS I KNOW, HE'S BEEN STEADY AT HIS JOB EXCEPT THIS PAST WEEK!

HE'S PROBABLY ALL RIGHT--JUST AS YOU... HOLD ON, HERE'S SOMETHING!



THIS COULD BE A BULLET HOLE IN HIS POCKET! MRS. CARTER, YOUR PERFECT GENT IS GOING TO HAVE SOME EXPLAINING TO DO! I'M GOING DOWN TO SEE HIS BOSS, MR. BENTLEY! IF WARD RETURNS BEFORE I DO, DON'T LET ON I'VE BEEN HERE!



HE COULDN'T BE THE LONE WOLF! HE'S ONE OF MY MOST TRUSTED EMPLOYEES--MY CASHIER--THE ONLY ONE BESIDES MYSELF WHO KNOWS THE SAFE COMBINATION, AND NEVER ONCE...

WHAT! HE KNOWS THE COMBINATION TO YOUR SAFE? DO YOU HAVE MUCH MONEY IN IT, MR. BENTLEY?

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YES, TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS... TO MEET MY PAY-ROLL, TOMORROW!

...AND YOUR CASHIER, WARD, KNOWS THE MONEY'S THERE? MAYBE I'M WRONG, MR. BENTLEY, BUT WE'D BETTER MAKE PLANS FOR TONIGHT!



THERE WAS NO CASING FOR WARD TO DO—HE KNEW THAT THE BIG HEAT WAS ON, THAT HE HAD TO STRIKE FAST AND GET OUT OF THE CITY BEFORE THE POLICE COULD CLOSE IN!

WAIT, KNUCKLES! THERE'S A LIGHT IN BENTLEY'S OFFICE! SOMEBODY'S THERE!

MAYBE THEY FORGOT TO TURN IT OFF, OR IT'S SOMEONE CLEANING THE PLACE!



STAY PUT, YOU BIRDS! WE'VE BEEN KIND OF EXPECTIN' COMPANY! DON'T TRY TO PULL ANYTHING! THIS BUTTON I'M PRESSIN' IS CONNECTED WITH THE POLICE WAITING IN A DOWNSTAIRS ROOM!

LET'S GET OUT OF HERE, MORTON!

WITH 300 C'S IN THAT CASE? HELL, YES!



WHY DID YOU KILL HIM? HE SAID THAT HE'D SIGNALLED THE COPS! THEY'LL BE UP HERE IN A SECOND! LET'S GET OUT!

A BLUFF, LUCKY! IF THEY'RE EXPECTIN' US, THE COPS'D BE WAITIN' RIGHT HERE, WOULDN'T THEY? NOW GET BUSY ON THAT SAFE!



I CAN'T! I JUST TRIED! THEY'VE SWITCHED THE COMBINATION! THEY FIGURED WE'D HAVE SENSE ENOUGH NOT TO KILL THE WATCHMAN!

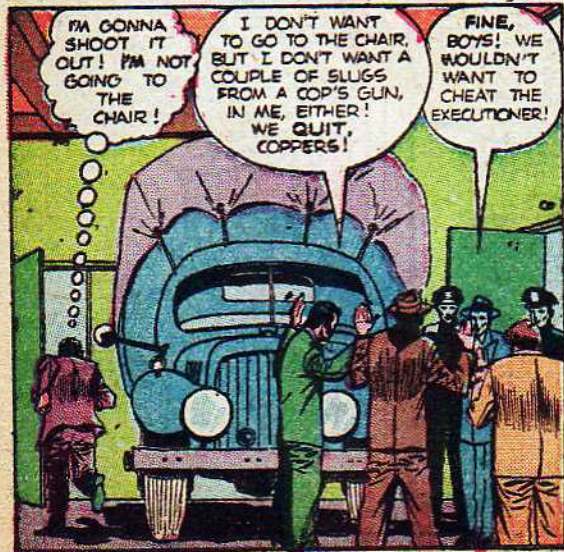
SHUT UP AND KEEP AT THAT SAFE, WARD! I'LL LOCK THE DOOR!

KNUCKLES, I HEAR FOOTSTEPS! WE GOT TO BLOW!



IT'S THE COPPER, ALL RIGHT! CAN WE GET OUT ANOTHER WAY, WARD?

QUICK! FOLLOW ME! INTO THE FACTORY! MAYBE WE CAN GRAB A TRUCK OUT OF THE GARAGE!



I'M GONNA SHOOT IT OUT! I'M NOT GOING TO THE CHAIR!

I DON'T WANT TO GO TO THE CHAIR, BUT I DON'T WANT A COUPLE OF SLUGS FROM A COP'S GUN, IN ME, EITHER! WE QUIT, COPPERS!

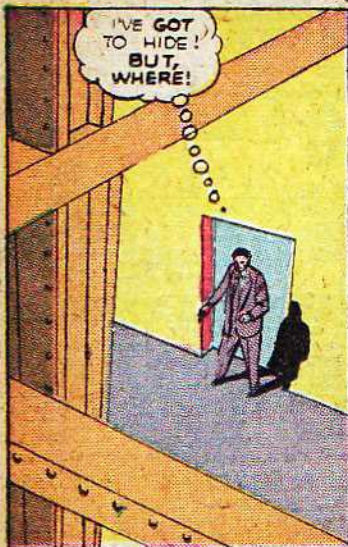
FINE, BOYS! WE WOULDN'T WANT TO CHEAT THE EXECUTIONER!



I THOUGHT THERE WERE FOUR OF THEM, BRADFORD! WHICH ONE IS THIS WARD GUY?

FROM THE DESCRIPTION I GOT OF HIM, HE ISN'T HERE... CALLAHAN! THAT DOOR! I THINK WARD WENT BACK INTO THE FACTORY! COME ON!

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## Juarez

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After many battles the forces under Juarez drove the rival government out of power. The victory was short-lived for the leaders of the opposition fled the country and schemed with Napoleon III of France to declare war on Mexico. Napoleon dreamed of an empire in the Western Hemisphere and invaded Mexico. Juarez was driven out of power and the schemers set up Archduke Maximilian of Austria as Emperor of Mexico.



Benito Juarez

France did not desire war with the United States and withdrew its troops. Without the support of the French forces, the insurgents were defeated by Juarez and he once again became President of Mexico.

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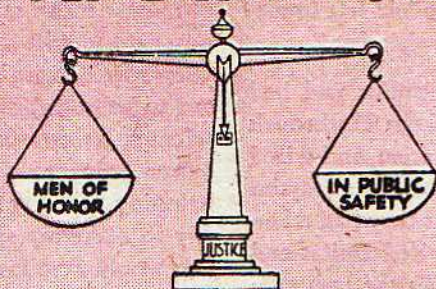
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# OUR POLICE HALL OF FAME

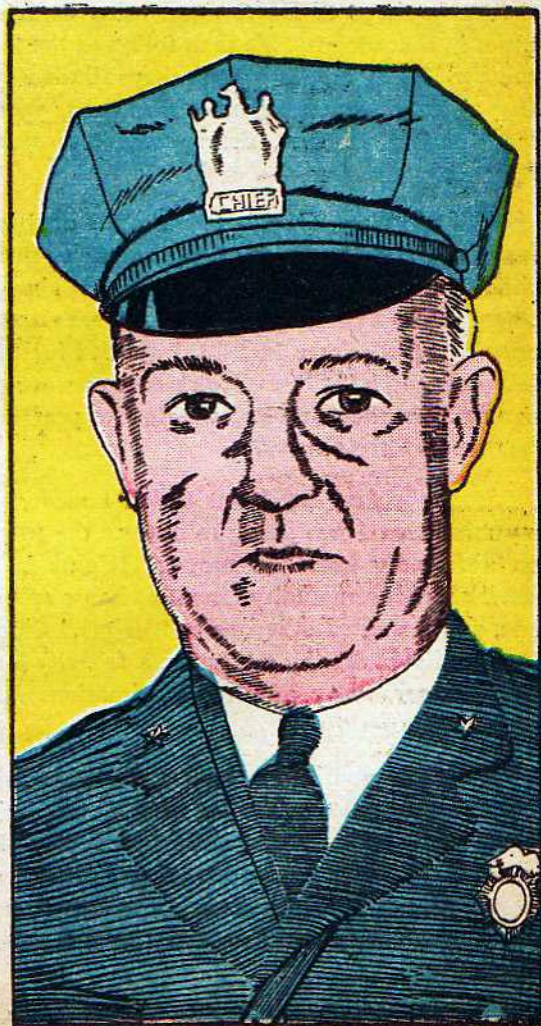


**CHIEF MELVILLE N. HOOK**  
**HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, N. J.**

**E**VERY summer many residents of Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey, leave their homes for a few weeks. Usually they notify Chief of Police Melville N. Hook so that their homes can be checked regularly during their absence. In instances where there are bonds or jewels of considerable value, Chief Hook advises people to store their valuables in his vault or in a bank. One man failed to heed Chief Hook's advice, and this led to one of the longest "chases" on the Hasbrouck record.

"A while ago," Chief Hook relates, "one of our leading citizens went away for a month and neglected to lock up his valuables. In the course of a routine check of unoccupied homes, one of my men found that the lock on the back door of this house had been picked. Over \$40,000 in jewelry, bonds and other valuables were missing! There were no marks of any kind to indicate who the burglar might be, and, frankly, I was at a loss as to how to proceed. Hasbrouck Heights is a fairly law-abiding town, and our crime rate is an exceptionally low one. Yet it looked as if the job had been done by someone familiar with the townspeople."

After carefully going through the house, Chief Hook decided to find out if anyone had left town immediately after the crime. "I checked around, and after a few days I learned that two men of questionable reputation had left for Ohio the day after the crime was committed. The story was that they had gone to see the



mother of one of them in Ohio. Somehow, though, this didn't ring quite true to me. This man hadn't seen his mother in ten years, and it seemed a little suspicious that he had left immediately following the crime to visit her."

"I then contacted the Ohio police and had them check on the two men from Hasbrouck Heights. They were most cooperative, and wired me that the men had been seen last in a Dayton bus terminal. It was believed that they had taken a bus to Dallas, Texas. I then wired Dallas and had their police meet the bus. As the two men got off, they were searched. A few of the missing bonds were found on them. Once extradition was accomplished, my work really started. Frankly, the catching of criminals is only one phase of my job. In order to complete this case, I wanted to recover as much of the stolen property as possible."

Chief Hook spent the next few weeks touring the pawn shops of Dayton and other communities in that vicinity. He then followed the bus route to Dallas, checking pawn shops all the way. Due to his perseverance, more than thirty thousand dollars of the missing valuables were recovered.

Chief of Police Melville Hook is one of those few lucky people who reach the height of their childhood ambitions. "As a child, I always wanted to be a police officer. When there was an opening on the force in 1924, I applied for the job—and got it." Chief Hook's success was apparent from the start, and within five years he was made Chief of Police.

"From the first day I was Chief, I made up my mind that I was going to operate the force on a friendly basis. Hasbrouck Heights is a small enough community for me to know everyone, and I wanted everyone to like me." Chief Hook believes that by talking in a friendly but firm manner, many unfortunate situations can be relieved.

"With any youthful offenders, I always follow the same pattern. For the first offense, I sit down with the judge and child and discuss his problem. If this is not successful and there is a second offense, I bring the child's parents in on our discussions. There has rarely been a third offense."

Chief Hook believes that by avoiding pub-

licity in cases dealing with local people, results are far better. "No one likes to see his name in the paper connected with an offense. People will cooperate more readily if they are assured that no one else will know about the offense. A few years ago, I began an experiment that has turned out to be both practical and effective. For many offenses, arrests used to be made by a police officer going to the home of the offender and bringing him down to the station. I decided one day to make my arrests over the phone. I knew this would save many people a great deal of embarrassment and discomfort. Everybody thought this was a crack-pot scheme, but the results have been marvelous. Today most of the arrests for minor violations are made over the phone, and I have had only a few cases where the offender didn't give me his wholehearted cooperation.

"A police officer in a smaller community has his own way of working. We are not only law enforcement officers and protectors, but we are also friends and companions to every citizen. I have always insisted that the first rule for a good police officer be courtesy. In no other job does a man have as much contact with the public. And rarely does he have so many fears to overcome. I have been fighting a battle, started 25 years ago, to overcome the old-fashioned bogeyman police theory used by many mothers. It has taken a long time, but, today, I can safely say the police of Hasbrouck Heights have become the friends of the people."

Chief Hook feels that the high calibre of men who go into police work, plus the type of training they receive, has helped to improve the police force tremendously. "When I first entered the force, there was no formal police training. I learned from experience. And although experience is a wonderful teacher, it's not enough for a police officer. Specialized training is necessary, and today all of the men on my force are constantly taking courses given by the state, the county, and the F.B.I. The three C's of police work—Courage, Courtesy, and Common Sense—can't be acquired through training, but they can be developed by education."

Chief Melville N. Hook has always lived his life according to this philosophy. As a result, each resident of Hasbrouck Heights considers him not only a police officer but also a close friend.

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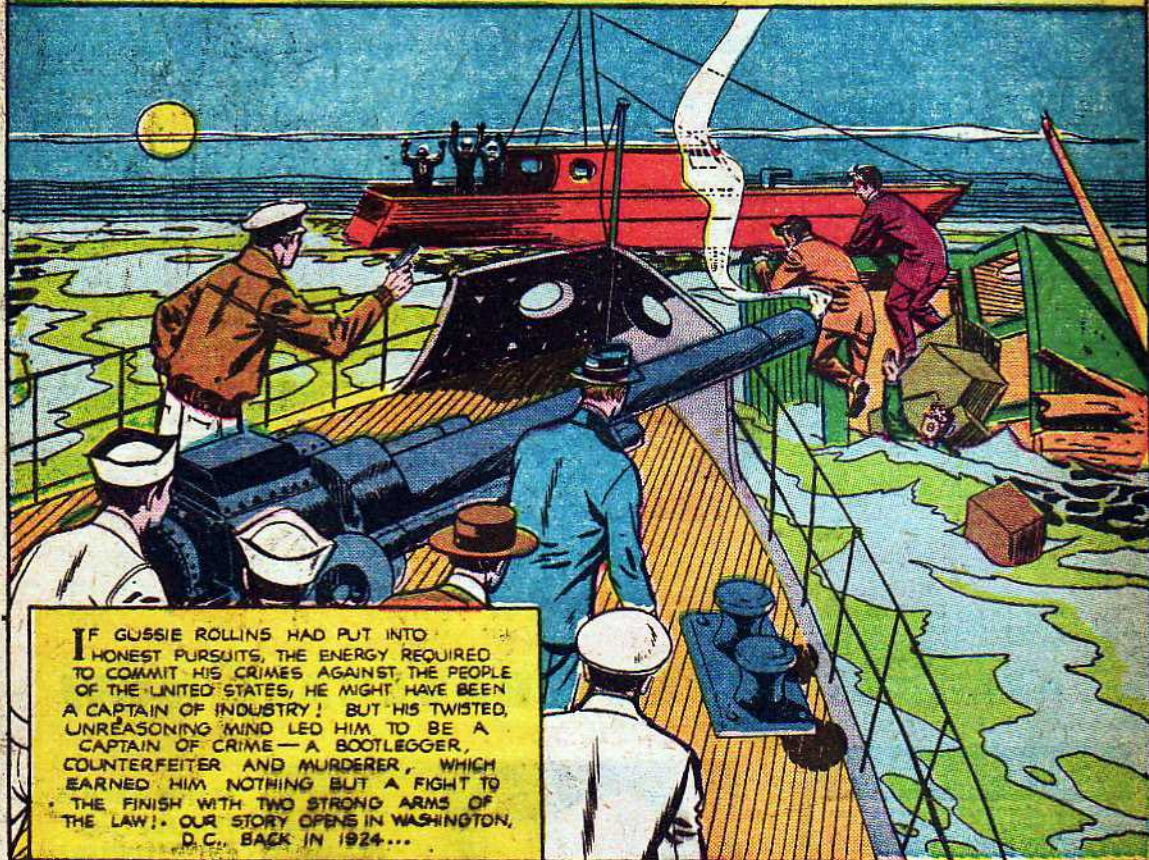
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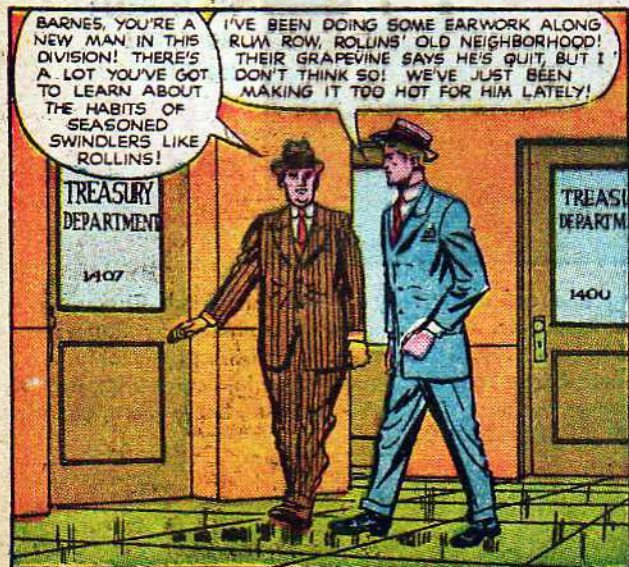
# "SURRENDER OR DIE!"

THAT WAS THE COMMAND  
OF THE COAST GUARD  
TO COUNTERFEITER  
GUS ROLLINS!

THE MOST INTERESTING  
CASE FROM THE  
FILES OF TREASURY  
INSPECTOR BARNES!



IF GUSSIE ROLLINS HAD PUT INTO HONEST PURSUITS, THE ENERGY REQUIRED TO COMMIT HIS CRIMES AGAINST THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES, HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN A CAPTAIN OF INDUSTRY! BUT HIS TWISTED, UNREASONING MIND LED HIM TO BE A CAPTAIN OF CRIME—A BOOTLEGGER, COUNTERFEITER AND MURDERER, WHICH EARNED HIM NOTHING BUT A FIGHT TO THE FINISH WITH TWO STRONG ARMS OF THE LAW! OUR STORY OPENS IN WASHINGTON, D.C., BACK IN 1924...



BARNES, YOU'RE A NEW MAN IN THIS DIVISION! THERE'S A LOT YOU'VE GOT TO LEARN ABOUT THE HABITS OF SEASONED SWINDLERS LIKE ROLLINS!

I'VE BEEN DOING SOME EARWORK ALONG RUM ROW, ROLLINS' OLD NEIGHBORHOOD! THEIR GRAPEVINE SAYS HE'S QUIT, BUT I DON'T THINK SO! WE'VE JUST BEEN MAKING IT TOO HOT FOR HIM LATELY!



NOW YOU'RE PERCOLATING! GOONS LIKE ROLLINS ARE TOO STUPID TO QUIT ALTOGETHER! HE'LL DUCK OUT OF BOOTLEGGING RIGHT INTO SOMETHING ELSE! IT WON'T DO HIM ANY GOOD, THOUGH! WE'LL GET HIM AGAIN—THAT IS, WITH SOME CLEAR-HEADED INVESTIGATING!

I'LL GIVE IT ALL I'VE GOT, CHIEF! ROLLINS DID A STRETCH FOR PASSING COUNTERFEIT MONEY BACK IN 1914, AND YOU HELPED CATCH HIM. DIDN'T YOU? HE MAY TRY THAT GAME AGAIN!

# OBEY THE LAW

OKAY, BARNES, GET TO WORK! BRING IN ROLLINS, BUT MAKE SURE YOU'VE GOT THE GOODS ON HIM! I'LL DO SOME SLEUTHING FROM THIS OFFICE! IF I HEAR ANYTHING THAT WILL HELP YOU, I'LL LET YOU KNOW!



THANKS FOR YOUR CONFIDENCE, BOSS!

MEANWHILE, HALFWAY ACROSS THE COUNTRY, HOODLUM LEADER ROLLINS WAS ALSO PUTTING HIS PLANS TO WORK

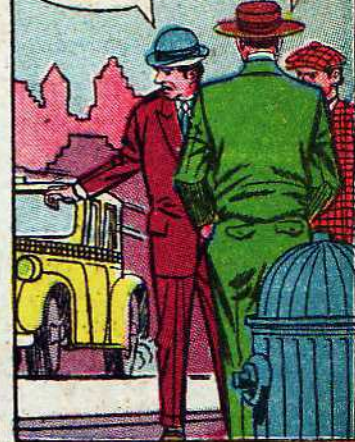


WELL, BOYS, THIS IS WHERE WE SET UP OPERATIONS!

YOU'VE GOT ME CURIOUS, ROLLINS—WHAT'S THE BIG SECRET DEAL?

DALTON, GA

I TOLD YOU YOU'LL FIND OUT AFTER I CHECK ON A FEW THINGS... SO BE PATIENT!



LISTEN, I THOUGHT WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE LAYING LOW!

CABBIE, TAKE US TO THE SHAW-LUX PRINTING COMPANY—I THINK IT'S ON GRAND NEAR FIRST, AN' TAKE IT EASY!



PRINTING COMPANY? I THINK I'M BEGINNIN' TO SEE THE LIGHT!

WHY YOU KEEP FLIRTIN' WITH TH' FEDS I CAN'T FIGURE, GUSSIE! ONLY A CHUNK-HEAD WOULD KEEP BUCKIN' A STONE WALL!



SHUT YOUR TRAP, BUGS! I'M DOIN' THE THINKIN' FOR THE THREE OF US, AND IF YOU DON'T LIKE IT THAT WAY, YOU KNOW WHAT YOU CAN DO!

AS SOON AS HE SAID 'PRINTING', I KNEW HE WAS GOIN' TO FOOL AROUND WITH THE QUEER BACKS AGAIN! HE TRIED CUTTIN' IN ON UNCLE SAM'S TERRITORY LIKE THAT ONCE BEFORE—AN' IT GOT HIM TEN YEARS! I DON'T LIKE IT, BUGS!



ME, NEITHER!

TELL MR. SHAW GUS ROLLINS WANTS TO SEE HIM!



MR. ROLLINS? JUST ONE MOMENT, SIR!

I'M SORRY, SIR! MR. SHAW'S TIED UP AT THE MOMENT! HE SUGGESTS YOU TRY AGAIN IN A WEEK OR SO...



OUT OF MY WAY! DON'T GIVE ME THAT BUSY ACT, SISTER! WHAT'S THE MATTER, BERTIE—DON'T YOU REMEMBER NAMES?



UH...OH! R-ROLLINS...ER, MATTER OF FACT I COULDN'T PLACE THE NAME! IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME—OVER TEN YEARS...

# OBEY THE LAW



YEAH CHUM, TEN YEARS—BUT THEY DIDN'T CATCH UP WITH THE GUY I TOOK THE RAP FOR, DID THEY? NOT YET...

NOW, NOW, ROLLY! THERE WASN'T ANY POINT INVOLVING ME WHEN THEY CAUGHT YOU WITH THE COUNTERFEITS, WAS THERE? BESIDES, I PAID YOU FOR YOUR...ER—LOYALTY!



THAT'S SOMETHING ELSE YOU FORGOT, BERTIE—TEN GRAND YOU PROMISED ME FOR KEEPIN' QUIET, WHICH I NEVER GOT! BUT I INTEND TO COLLECT RIGHT NOW!

BUT I HAVEN'T GOT IT, ROLLY! EVERY CENT I HAVE IS TIED UP IN THIS BUSINESS! I CAN'T DO IT!



YOU CAN'T? WANNA BET? BOYS!

NO, WAIT—I'LL GIVE YOU A CHECK! HOW'S THAT?



I CHANGED MY MIND! I DON'T WANT MONEY, BERTIE—I'LL JUST TAKE IT OUT IN TRADE!

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?



YOU'RE GOIN' TO DO SOME PRINTING FOR ME! NOBODY IN THE BUSINESS CAN TURN OUT THE STUFF LIKE YOU USED TO!

COUNTERFEIT? LOOK, ROLLY—I'LL MAKE IT AN EXTRA FIVE THOUSAND, BUT I CAN'T GO BACK INTO THE OLD GAME! THE TREASURY BOYS ARE STILL HAUNTING ME! THEY NEVER LAY OFF! YOU KNOW THAT!



AND MY PARTNER, LUX—HE'D GET SUSPICIOUS! NO! I WON'T DO IT!

HAW, I COULD TURN YOU OVER TO THE FEDS, BUT I WOULDN'T GET ANYTHING THAT WAY. SO I'M GOING TO LET MY PALS HERE CONVINCE YOU THAT I'M NOT FOOLING! WANT! BUGS!



FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE, ROLLINS, CALL THEM OFF! I CAN'T DO YOU ANY GOOD DEAD EITHER!

JUST A FEW MORE LICKS BOYS—TO MAKE SURE HE DOESN'T CHANGE HIS MIND!



OKAY, SHAW, YOU'VE GOT JUST TWO WEEKS TO GET THE PLATES READY, AND WE'LL BE LOOKIN' IN ON YOU TO SEE IF EVERYTHING'S GOIN' RIGHT!

ALL RIGHT, ROLLINS! ALL RIGHT!



SEVERAL DAYS PASSED... MR. LUX, YOU KNOW HOW SHARP I KEEP MY ENGRAVING TOOLS! WELL, FOR THE PAST FEW DAYS WHEN I COME IN IN THE MORNING, I FIND THEY HAVE BEEN DULLED!

YOU MEAN SOMEONE HAS BEEN USING THEM AT NIGHT? COME, COPPAL, WHY SHOULD ANYONE DO THAT?

UJ—WANE

# OBEY THE LAW

I DON'T KNOW WHY, MR. LUX, BUT I DO KNOW THEY'VE BEEN USED! I'M PARTICULAR ABOUT MY TOOLS! FOR THREE MORNINGS NOW I'VE FOUND THEM SHIFTED IN PLACE-ALSO, I'VE FOUND STEEL CUTTINGS BY MY BENCH, THOUGH I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH COPPER!

I'LL LOOK INTO THIS, COPPAL...



GOOD MORNING, BERT! IF YOU'RE NOT TOO BUSY I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU FOR A FEW MINUTES!

HUH? OH, SURE, COME ON IN, WILLY! WHEN DID YOU GET BACK FROM CHICAGO?



YESTERDAY AFTERNOON! SAY-WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?

ER... I TRIPPED ON THE CARPET IN MY HOUSE A COUPLE OF DAYS AGO-BATTERED MY FACE A BIT, BUT NO SERIOUS DAMAGE! UH, YOU WANTED TO TALK TO ME ABOUT SOMETHING?



IT'S PROBABLY EASILY EXPLAINED! JOE COPPAL HAS JUST BEEN COMPLAINING TO ME ABOUT HIS ENGRAVING TOOLS! HE CLAIMS SOMEONE ELSE HAS BEEN USING THEM!

NONSENSE! EVERY ONE OF OUR MEN HAS HIS OWN EQUIPMENT! I THINK COPPAL IS GETTING FEEBLE! HE OUGHT TO BE RETIRING AT HIS AGE!



OH, NOW, GO EASY, BERT! THE OLD FELLOW HAS SOME GOOD YEARS LEFT IN HIM-HE'S ONE OF THE BEST!

OKAY, IF YOU SAY SO, BUT WE'RE TOO BUSY FOR HIS PETTY GRIPES!



THAT REMINDS ME-I'VE GOT TO CALL THE BALDWIN AGENCY ABOUT THEIR PRINT ORDER! I'LL SEE YOU LATER!

OKAY, WILLY!



WHAT BUSINESS COULD BERT HAVE WITH MEN LIKE THESE!



GREETINGS, BERTIE! HOW'RE YOU COMING WITH THAT PRINTING JOB?

DO YOU HAVE TO KEEP POKING YOUR NOSE IN HERE, ROLLINS? MY PARTNER JUST WENT OUT-HE MUST HAVE SEEN YOU!



SO WHAT? DO YOU SUPPOSE HE CAN'T TELL WHAT I'M UP TO JUST BY LOOKING AT ME AND TH' BOYS?

WE WON'T GO INTO THAT! YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THE PLATES? I'VE GOT THEM NEARLY FINISHED-TENS AND TWENTIES!



# OBEY THE LAW

BUT PRINTING UP A HALF-MILLION! WE'LL BE CAUGHT PASSIN' THAT MUGH QUEER DOUGH—UNLESS YOU'VE GOT AN ANGLE!

I GOT THAT "WE," BERT! BUT WHY NOT? IF YOU DO A GOOD ENOUGH JOB, I'LL CUT YOU IN—SAY, FOR TEN GRAND?

TEN G'S! FOR THE RISK I'M TAKIN'?

THAT'S WHAT YOU OFFERED ME FOR TEN YEARS IN THE CLINK! ANYWAY ALL YA GOT TO DO IS PRINT YOURSELF SOME MORE, BERTIE—YOU GOT PAPER AN' INK!

YOU WIN! IF I TRY TO PASS THE PHONY STUFF MYSELF, I'D BE PICKED UP IN TEN MINUTES! THAT TAKES YOUR KIND OF TALENT! I'LL TAKE THE TEN!

...AN' WE'LL UNLOAD FAST, BERTIE BEFORE THE T-MEN HAVE A CHANCE TO EVEN HEAR ABOUT IT! HA! JUST ONE MORE WEEK, AN' I'LL BE ROLLIN' IN DOUGH! IN ONE WEEK! YES, SIR!

TWO WEEKS LATER IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

I GOT YOUR CALL, CHIEF—WHAT'S UP?

NO TIME TO GO BACK TO MY OFFICE, BARNES! I'VE MADE TRAIN RESERVATIONS TO BALINGTON FOR YOU! I'LL TELL YOU ALL ABOUT IT WHILE YOU PACK!

AS NEAR AS WE CAN FIGURE IT, BARNES, THE COUNTERFEIT TENS AND TWENTIES HAVE BEEN TURNING UP FOR ABOUT SIX DAYS, NOW, IN INCREASING QUANTITIES! MOST OF THEM HAVE APPEARED IN THE VICINITY OF BALINGTON!

AND YOU SAY THAT THEY'VE PASSED \$80,000 SO FAR! PHEW! SOMEBODY'S TRYING TO MAKE A QUICK KILLING!

I HAVE A FEW SAMPLES I WANT YOU TO TAKE ALONG! THEY'RE EXPERT REPRODUCTION5—SO DARN GOOD A FEW EVEN GOT BY BANK TELLERS!

ANYTHING FAMILIAR ABOUT THE METHOD OF PASSING, CHIEF?

DEFINITELY! THE PASSERS HAVE BEEN GETTING JOBS WITH MILK COMPANIES, AS AUDITORS FOR STREET CAR COMPANIES—ANY PLACE WHERE THEY CAN LAY THEIR HANDS ON LEGITIMATE COLLECTION MONEY, WHICH THEY SUBSTITUTE WITH THE QUEER STUFF! GUSSIE "QUEER" ROLLINS IS THE ONE MAN—I KNOW WHO WORKS LIKE THAT!

THAT WAS MY ORIGINAL HUNCH—HE'S GONE BACK TO HIS OLD RACKET!

YOU HAVE PICTURES OF ROLLINS AND THOSE TWO MUGS HE CALLS HIS GANG! THE THREE OF THEM ARE STUPID AND DANGEROUS, SO KEEP YOUR GUN HANDY!

SURE, CHIEF—AND KEEP A CELL DOOR OPEN! I HAVE A HUNCH THEY'LL BE COMING BACK WITH ME!

MEANWHILE, IN BALINGTON...

DON'T GIVE ME ANY LIP, BERTIE! JUST GIVE ME THE REST OF THAT STUFF!

YOU PROMISED ME MY TEN G'S RIGHT AFTER YOU PASSED ENOUGH TO PAY OFF! YOU'VE ALREADY SWITCHED OVER \$200,000!

# OBEY THE LAW



OKAY, OKAY—COME OVER TO MY PLACE, TONIGHT! I'LL HAVE THE DOUGH FOR YA! ANOTHER THING, BERTIE, THERE'S 60 G'S MORE IN IT FOR YOU IF YA WANT TO SELL ME THE PLATES!

UMM... SIXTY THOUSAND FOR TWO ENGRAVED PLATES? LET ME THINK A MINUTE!



OKAY! GIVE ME YOUR ADDRESS, ROLLY! AN' TELL ME WHAT TIME YOU WANT ME TO BE THERE—AN' HAVE THE MONEY READY! SIXTY THOUSAND! I'LL HAND OVER THE PLATES!

YEAH, WE'LL SQUARE UP FOR EVERYTHING! EVERYTHING! WE'VE RENTED A COTTAGE OUT ON GREELY ROAD! IT'S THE ONLY HOUSE OUT THERE! I'LL LEAVE A LIGHT OVER THE DOOR! BE THERE AT EIGHT!



7:15! I'D BETTER GET THOSE PLATES! IT'LL TAKE ME A HALF HOUR TO GET OUT TO GREELY ROAD!



COME IN, BERT!

WHAT THE... WHAT'RE YOU DOIN' HERE, WILLY?!



COPPAL KEPT COMPLAINING, BERT! IT ISN'T LIKE HIM TO FUSS ABOUT NOTHING, SO I THOUGHT I'D FIND OUT FOR MYSELF WHOS BEEN USING HIS TOOLS! NOW I KNOW, BERT!

THAT WAS A SAD MISTAKE, WILLY?



BECAUSE NOW YOU'RE THE ONLY THING THAT STANDS IN THE WAY OF THE BIGGEST CLEANUP OF MY LIFE!

I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW SHOCKED I AM BY THIS! I'VE SEEN YOUR ENGRAVINGS, AND I FEEL IT'S MY DUTY TO INFORM THE AUTHORITIES!



YOU'D HAVE BEEN WISER TO HAVE KEPT YOUR MOUTH SHUT, WILLY! I DIDN'T WANT TO HURT YOU, BUT I COULDN'T LET YOU TELL THE LAW WHAT I'VE BEEN DOIN'!

AGHH! BERT... Y... YOU...



PLEASE... OPERATOR... POLICE DEPARTMENT... HURRY! I... I'VE BEEN SHOT!



EASY NOW, MR. LUX! NEVER MIND THE WHOLE STORY! SAVE YOUR STRENGTH TILL WE GET THERE! GIVE ME YOUR ADDRESS! YEAH, YEAH, OKAY, I'VE GOT IT! WE'LL BE THERE AS FAST AS WE CAN!

# OBEY THE LAW



MAYBE YOU SHOULD'VE LET THE MAN TALK, LIEUTENANT! HE MAY DIE BEFORE WE GET TO HIM!

I'VE GOT TO TAKE THAT CHANCE, BARNES! IF I GET THERE IN TIME TO SAVE HIS LIFE, I'LL LIKE IT A DARNED SIGHT BETTER THAN KNOWING HIS MURDERER! C'MON!



BARNES, WE'RE NOT MUCH OF A POLICE FORCE, SO WE'RE UNACCUSTOMED TO PLAYING HOST TO IMPORTANT WASHINGTON MEN LIKE YOURSELF! WE'LL DO THE BEST WE CAN, SO HELP ME!

IT'S SURE A LIVELY TOWN YOU HAVE HERE! I HAVEN'T BEEN IN YOUR OFFICE TEN MINUTES, AND ALREADY THERE'S A MURDER INVESTIGATION! I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND IF I POKE MY NOSE IN IT!



I'VE SEARCHED THE ROOF—THERE ISN'T A SOUL IN THIS BUILDING! THE AMBULANCE IS ON IT'S WAY! HOW IS HE?

TOO LATE! HE JUST DIED! BUT HE DID MUMBLE SOMETHING ABOUT COUNTERFEITING AND HIS PARTNER, BERT SHAW!



WE'VE GOT TO MOVE FAST! HE ALSO TOLD ME SHAW'S LICENSE NUMBER—3791! THIS IS THE BREAK MY DEPARTMENT'S BEEN WAITING FOR!



IT WILL BE HARD LOCATING THE CAR AT NIGHT, MR. BARNES!

WE'VE GOT TO TRY! THERE'S A CHANCE ONE OF YOUR MEN MAY SPOT THE CAR IF YOU'VE PUT OUT A GENERAL ALARM!



OKAY, ROLLY! I'VE GOT THE PLATES IN MY POCKET! NOW, HOW ABOUT THE SIXTY?

A BUG JUST GOT INTO MY HEAD ABOUT HOW I'VE BEEN CROSSED BY YOU BEFORE! YOU MIGHT SEND A LETTER TO THE TREASURY BOYS!



SO JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT DON'T HAPPEN, I'M GONNA TAKE A LITTLE PRECAUTION! GO AHEAD, BUGSY!

NO, IF IT'S THE SIXTY G'S, FORGET IT! I WOULDN'T SQUEAL! NOT ME—NO, WAIT!



WHAT'S THE MATTER, ROLLY?

NUTS! HE HAD THE PLATES IN HIS JACKET, WHERE YOU WERE AIMING—NOW THEY'RE RUINED—HOLES RIGHT THROUGH THEM!



WELL, WE CAN'T HAVE EVERYTHING—THAT'S WHY I TRIED TO MAKE A FAST JOB OF PASSIN'! FORGET THE PLATES! WE GOT PLENTY ALREADY—OVER 200 G'S CASHED IN!



HIT-AND-RUN! THAT'S WHY THE T-BOYS'LL NEVER CATCH UP WITH US! I GOT IT ALL ARRANGED TO BUY A BOATLOAD OF HOOTCH—TONIGHT—AND WHAT DO YOU THINK I'M GON' TO PAY FOR IT WITH?

THE QUEER STUFF, WHAT ELSE? THAT'S HEADY, WORK, BOSS! WE HAVE A PLACE TO HOLE UP, AN' BOOZE TO CELEBRATE WITH!



I'VE GOT ALL THE ANGLES COVERED—WE'RE USIN' SHAW'S CAR JUST IN CASE THE COPS HAVE A DESCRIPTION OF OURS! IT'S THE HOT SEAT IF WE'RE CAUGHT NOW, SO THIS IS FOR KEEPS!

3791—HEY, THAT'S THE CAR! RIORDAN, YOU 'HOP OUT AND CALL HEADQUARTERS! I'LL STICK WITH 'EM! THEY'RE STOPPING HERE AT THE DOCK!

# OBEY THE LAW

JONES, KEEP YOUR EARS GLUED TO THE PHONE! DETECTIVE BARNES AND I ARE GOING UP TO INVESTIGATE THAT SHOOTING ON GREELY ROAD! I'LL KEEP IN TOUCH WITH YOU!

CLUNK 3A

A FEW MINUTES LATER... THIS IS BERT SHAW. ALL RIGHT... BUT WHY WAS WE KILLED?

USUAL THING I GUESS... A DOUBLE-CROSS! AT LEAST THESE PLATES WON'T BE USED AGAIN!

HE'S ONE MURDERER WHO WON'T GO TO TRIAL, BUT IT PUTS A DIFFERENT LIGHT ON THINGS, BARNES! WE'LL BE WANTING YOUR COUNTERFEIT PASSERS FOR SHAW'S MURDER, TOO!

I TOLD YOU THEY WERE DANGEROUS! BUT NOW THEY'RE TRIGGER-CRAZY!

HELLO, LIEUTENANT! OFFICER RIORDAN JUST CALLED! HE SPOTTED 3701! HE FOLLOWED THEM TO THE HARBOR! THEY WOUNDED HIM AND GOT AWAY IN A FAST CABIN CRUISER HEADING SOUTH!

THAT PUTS US IN A HOLE! OUR ONLY POLICE LAUNCH IS LAID UP FOR REPAIRS!

IT'S ROLLINS, NO DOUBT, AND HIS MORONIC TORPEDOES, WALT WAZEY AND BUGS RINDER! WE CAN STOP THEM - CONTACT THE NEAREST COAST GUARD STATION... EXPLAIN AND TELL THEM TO WAIT FOR US!

AN HOUR LATER, ROLLINS HAD REACHED THE ATLANTIC AND SIGHTED THE RUM RUNNER...

RIGHT ON SCHEDULE! SEE? IF THIS WORKS OUT, WE KEEP TRADING THE COUNTERFEIT FOR BOOTLEG HOOTCH! THEY AIN'T LIKELY TO COMPLAIN TO THE COPS!

THEN WE'LL HAVE NOT ONLY TH' BALINGTON COPS AN' T-MEN ON OUR TAIL, WE'LL BE DODGING RUM RUNNERS, TOO! YOU MUST LIKE TROUBLE IN BIG DOSES!

NEW BILLS? WHAT'S THE IDEA, ROLLINS? ARE THEY HOT?

YA THINK I'D PULL SOMETHING LIKE THAT? START LOADING THE STUFF ON MY BOAT, OR TH' DEAL'S OFF!

HEY! CUT US LOOSE! A COAST GUARD CUTTER'S SNEAKED UP ON US! GET GOIN' AN' DUMP TH' BOOZE OVER BOARD!!

WALT! GOSH SAKES! GET THE MOTOR STARTED! THEY'RE SHOOTIN' AT US!!

THEY WON'T HEAVE TO! GIVE THEM ANOTHER ONE ACROSS THEIR BOW!

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WE'VE GOT NOTHING ON YOU EXCEPT COUNTERFEITING AND MURDER! ROLLINS YOU AND YOUR TWO PALS ARE GOING TO GET REAL WARM - IN THE HOT SEAT!

THE END



# THIS IS YOUR PAGE SPEAK UP!

Dear Reader:

In every issue of CRIME AND PUNISHMENT this page is devoted to your opinions, ideas and suggestions. Since the conception of CRIME AND PUNISHMENT, we have been guided by two ideals—first, the eradication of crime, and second, to give credit to the fearless detectives and officers of the law who daily risk their lives that you and we may live in a more lawful society.

CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

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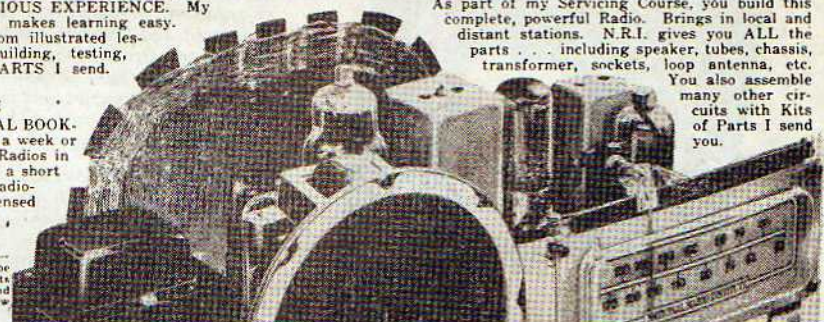
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